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Digital competition law needs rethink: USIBC

The US-India Business Council (USIBC), which has Google, Amazon and Apple as members, has asked the Indian government to rethink its plan to have a EU-like competition law. In its letter to the Ministry of Corporate Affairs, USIBC said India's draft Digital Competition Bill is "much further in scope" than the European Union's stringent Digital Markets Act 2022

PM to meditate at Vivekananda Rock Memorial

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Kanniyakumari / Chennai

AFTER an intense and prolonged campaign for the Lok Sabha elections and ahead of the results, Prime Minister Narendra Modi will delve deep into meditation at the 'dhyana mandapam' of the Vivekananda Rock Memorial located on a rock around 400 metres off the Kanniyakumari coast for over 45 hours from Thursday evening. The rock is surrounded by the Laccadive Sea where the Bay of Bengal, the Indian Ocean, and the Arabian Sea meet.

Sources said that PM will meditate day and night at the same spot where Swami Vivekananda is believed to have meditated over a century ago.

The prime minister is expected to start his meditation on the evening of May 30 and conclude it on June 1 evening.

The PM is known to go on spiritual retreats at the end of his poll campaigns. In 2019, he had went to Kedarnath and in 2014, he had visited Pratapgarh, where a battle was fought between Maratha forces led by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj and Bijapur troops led by Afzal Khan.

In view of the PM's visit, security has been beefed up in Kanniyakumari. According to his tentative tour programme, the PM would leave from Thiruvananthapuram airport on May 30 (Thursday) at 3.55 pm in a helicopter and arrive at Kanniyakumari helipad at 4.35 pm.

Cyclone Remal wreaks havoc, kills 31 in N-E

Multiple landslides take Mizoram toll to 27

PRASANTA MAZUMDAR
@ Guwahati

CYCLONE Remal wreaked havoc in parts of the Northeast on Tuesday, killing at least 31 people in Mizoram, Meghalaya and Assam. The rains, which were accompanied by gusty winds, uprooted trees, electric poles, triggered landslides and disrupted power and internet services. There is no power in parts Assam and Mizoram since Monday midnight.

With 27 confirmed deaths in four landslides, Mizoram was the worst affected. Locals said there had been a series of incidents of landslides and the toll could go up further.

Fourteen people were killed when a stone quarry collapsed at a place between Melthum and Hlimen on the outskirts of the state capital Aizawl. Five locals and 2-3 non-locals were reported missing after the collaspse.

Landslides elsewhere killed 13 people — Hlimen (4), Salem (3), Falkawn (2), Lungsei (1), Kelsih (1) and Aibawk (2). The state government said it would be difficult to say how many people were missing after the incidents.

Aizawl and its surrounding areas are vulnerable to landslides, primarily because of "loose" soil, the locals said.

The car that was damaged after a shed fell on it following Cyclone Remal's landfall in Guwahati | PTI

Chief Minister Lalduhoma announced ex-gratia of ₹4 lakh each for the next of kin of those who died. The state government had ordered the closure of all government offices on Tuesday except those rendering essential services.

Three persons were killed in Assam and one in Meghalaya. A wall collapsed in East Jaintia Hills district of Meghalaya, killing one person. Four others were injured in a landslide in the district. In Assam, the deaths occurred in Kamrup, Kamrup (Metro) and Morigaon districts.

T20 World Cup ticket for even India-Pak match still available

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN @ Chennai

THE International Cricket Council (ICC) may have a new problem in their hands. There are only three days to go for the opening night of the T20 World Cup — one of the governing body's flagship white-ball properties — but a lot of tickets are still up for grabs. While the ICC, in a statement in March, said that "more than three million ticket applications were received during the ballot", tickets for all games are still available on the official website. This includes the India vs Pakistan match, scheduled to be played at the Nassau County International Cricket Stadium in New York on Sunday.

While the cheapest tickets for that match have been sold out ($300 if you are wondering), packages worth an eye-popping $10,000 (₹8.3 lakh) have not found many takers. The perks for this ticket includes free parking, pitch report 15 minutes before the start of the game as well as a private champagne with lunch while taking part in an analysis of the game by a cricketing legend. Most of the tickets for other ties, too, are yet to find takers. Not just India's, even tickets for the Australia versus England match are available. P15

EXPRESS READ

ECI suspends special secretary in Odisha CMO

Bhubaneswar: The Election Commission of India on Tuesday suspended ADG-ranked IPS officer D S Kutey, who served as the Special Secretary to Odisha Chief Minister's Office for interfering with the ongong elections. The poll body said the action was aimed at maintaining a level playing field and ensuring fairness in the poll process | P5

Pak 'violated' 1999 Lahore deal with India: Sharif

Lahore: Former Pakistan premier Nawaz Sharif on Tuesday admitted that Islamabad had "violated" the 1999 Lahore Declaration with India. The agreement that talked about a vision of peace and stability between the two countries signalled a major breakthrough, but a few months later Pakistani intrusion in Jammu & Kashmir led to the Kargil War.

'Corruption in ST Corpn forced hubby to end life'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga

FAMILY members of Chandrashekharan, superintendent of Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Corporation Limited (KMVSTCL), who ended his life in Shivamogga on Sunday, have demanded that the state government conduct a thorough investigation into the alleged misappropriation of funds in the corporation and act against the three officials named in the suicide note.

Chandrashekharan's wife Kavitha told reporters on Tuesday that her husband was an honest worker and he was forced to take the extreme step because of corruption in the corporation.

Refuting the allegation of corruption against her husband, Kavitha said the government has ordered a CID probe into the case. The CID should conduct a detailed investigation and ensure justice to her family, she added.

Even she works as a daily wage computer operator at the office of the Department for Empowerment of Differently Abled and Senior Citizens in Shivamogga. P4

CID STARTS PROBE

The Criminal Investigation Department (CID) started an investigation into the suicide of Chandrashekharan. A CID team visited his house in Shivamogga and collected information from his family members.

3 of Koppal family found dead, cops suspect suicide

AMIT S UPADHYE @ Hubballi

THREE members of a family were found dead in a house at Hosalngapur village in Koppal district on Tuesday morning.

The deceased have been identified as Rameshwari, 50, her daughter Vasanta, 32, and grandson Saidharmateja, 5.

Police suspect it to be a case of suicide. Vasanta's husband Arif is absconding. The postmortem report will reveal the cause of their death. "We have recorded the statements of the relatives of the deceased. A search is on for Arif," a police officer said.

When Rameshwari and Vasanta did not answer any phone calls on Monday, their relatives went home and saw all three dead. CONTINUED ON: P5

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• Nakshatra: Shravana 8.26 am • Moon in Kumbha Rashi • Rahukaala: 12:00 pm to 01:30 pm
• Gulikakala: 10:30 am to 12:00 pm • Yamaganda: 07:30 am to 09:00 am

WEATHER
MIN 22°C | MAX 33°C
FORECAST
Tstorms late. Overcast

Sunrise 05.52 am
Sunset 06.41 pm
Moonrise 11.02 pm
Moonset 12.04 am

LoP R Ashoka and other BJP leaders raise slogans against the Congress government in the state, at a protest in Freedom Park on Tuesday | SHASHIDHAR BYRAPPA

Release ₹1K cr to fix B'luru's woes: Ashoka to govt

Leader of Opposition accuses Congress-led dispensation of neglecting state capital

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

STAGING a massive protest against the Congress government in the state, Leader of Opposition in the Assembly R Ashoka demanded that Rs 1,000 crore should be immediately released for the development of Bengaluru and that necessary works should be carried out to avoid rain-related damage in the city, before the onset of monsoon.

Leading the protest held by the BJP at Freedom Park, Ashoka charged that there is complete mismanagement by the Congress government, which has neglected the development of the state capital.

"Potholes and piles of garbage are seen everywhere on the roads. There is no money to give to pourakarmikas and contractors. Not a single rupee of work has been done in the state capital. The chief minister and deputy chief minister just toured the city after heavy rain the other day, but did not give any money towards development," he said.

"The residents of Bengaluru, who pay the highest taxes, are now saying, 'Our tax is our right'. The largest share of the state's total taxes comes from Bengaluru. The Congress government in the name of 'Brand Bengaluru' is turning the city into 'Bad Bengaluru' and 'Garbage City'. The government should release Rs 1,000 crore and take action to prevent any mishap," urged Ashoka.

Meanwhile, he held the minister concerned responsible for the suicide of an officer in the Valmiki Development Corporation. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah had said that he would resign if he had taken a bribe. And here in the corporation, an alleged scam to the tune of Rs 187 crore has taken place and the officer has reportedly mentioned it in his death note. "The government is directly responsible for the suicide and alleged loot. CM Siddaramaiah, who had previously asked for the resignation of former DCM KS Eshwarappa, and the minister concerned should resign," he demanded, warning that the BJP will fight hard against this.

APPLY FOR BMTC PASSES, GIRLS GO FREE

Students can apply for passes for 2024-25 at concessional rates, issued by the Bengaluru Metropolitan Transport Corporation (BMTC) from Wednesday (May 29). The bus corporation stated that under the Shakti scheme, girl students who are residents of Karnataka are allowed to travel free in ordinary BMTC buses. BMTC will issue passes from June 1 at Bangalore One centres. Online applications for student passes for the year 2024-25 are available on the Sevasindhu portal https://sevasindhu.karnataka.gov.in. Students can also apply through Bangalore One centres, and passes will be issued at Bangalore One centres, Kempegowda Bus Station, Kengeri TTMC, Shanthinagar TTMC, Hosakote, Electronics City Depot-19, KSRTC Anekal Bus Station from 8am to 6.30pm on all days. For more information, contact the BMTC call centre on 080-22483777 and log into the BMTC website.

Back to school: Academic year 2024-25 kicks off

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

AFTER a two-month-long break for the summer vacation, students are all set to return to school from Wednesday, for the new academic year 2024-25. While many private schools have already commenced classes, government schools will officially reopen from Wednesday. According to an official notification by the Department of School and Literacy (DSEL), students will be welcomed with sweets and savouries. The uniforms and textbooks will also be made available to all on the same day.

The officials said uniforms have been dispatched to all the taluks promptly, and 70-80% of schools in the state have received textbooks. The department will make Block Education Officers and Deputy Directors of Public Instruction (DDPIs) responsible for distribution and they must report discrepancies related to substandard materials or if school repair works are not completed. To initiate a sense of community, the teachers and students will engage in rangoli and decoration to add a festive touch at the beginning of the academic year. Meanwhile, experts and child rights activists said the schools and BEOs must do more than what is routinely practised.

Child Rights Trust director Nagasimha Rao said, "The teachers must create a student-friendly environment. While the state experienced extreme heat conditions, many children were not allowed to move out of their houses and play with their peers. The students should be asked to share their experiences and create an environment that will help change their routine."

Experts also said that planning the entire year with children and holding a small discussion with them during the first three days can build their morale and aid in their better involvement in classes and extracurricular activities.

With schools reopening in the coming days, a girl checks out new schoolbags at a store in Bengaluru on Tuesday | VINOD KUMAR T

VACANT TEACHER POSITIONS

The Primary School Teachers Association has written to the government, highlighting the issue of vacant positions of teachers. There are over 50,000 vacancies for primary teachers and over 10,000 for higher education teachers. The association has requested the government to appoint guest teachers for the schools to not impact the academic curve of students. "This has been the practice every year. However, this year, despite the schools starting on May 29, no arrangements have been made by the state government," the association said.

KERC to come up with EV charging norms for apts

BOSKY KHANNA @ Bengaluru

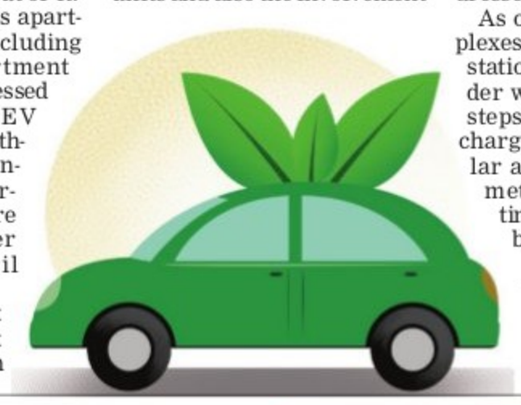
SOON, charging electric vehicles (EVs) and payments for charging them in apartment complexes will be streamlined. The Karnataka Electricity Regulatory Commission (KRC) is coming up with a standard set of operating procedures and rules to be followed by all apartment complexes to set up charging units.

Now, different methods are being adopted for charging EVs and payments. In some apartments, a vehicle owner directly installs a charging unit in his parking space and is billed individually. But in others, the charging unit is in a common area and the cost is borne by the apartment association.

KERC Chairman P Ravi Kumar told TNIE that the order will include the method to be followed for installing EV charging stations and payments. The order will also have a section to allow a third party to set up EV charging points and make a business out of it.

Members of various apartment associations, including the Bengaluru Apartment Federation, had expressed their concerns on EV charging units and methods during public consultation meetings organised by KERC before announcing the power tariff order in April 2024.

Federation president Vikram Rai said that though the installation of EV charging points at new apartment complexes was made mandatory from 2019, little has been done so far. There is conflict between owners and associations on installing such units. The Federation recommended community-based units and also the involvement of Bescom and Electrical Inspectorate in setting up such units.



Rai said retrofitting charging units in apartment complexes is a challenge and the process needs to be streamlined which needs to be addressed by KERC.

As of now, apartment complexes have very few charging stations, he said. The new order will list the method and steps to follow in installing charging units, including solar and electricity-enabled methods. This is the first time that such an order is being announced.

Directions will also be issued for setting up charging units in commercial establishments.

BBMP cancels tenders to hire teachers via pvt security cos

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

AFTER drawing flak for issuing tenders to private security and detective agencies to hire teachers for BBMP-run schools and colleges, the Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike issued orders on Tuesday cancelling the tender.

It is learnt that the government was left embarrassed by the Palike's move as contract teachers had expressed concerns over pay cut and also losing jobs. BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath also had defended the move. However, the matter escalated with MLC Puttanna bringing it to the notice of Deputy Chief Minister and Bengaluru Development Minister DK Shivakumar and threatening to launch a protest against the BBMP. It is learnt that the DCM instructed the Palike officials to contain the damage done.

Earlier, BJP leader S Suresh Kumar had flayed the BBMP's move of hiring private security and detective agencies for engaging in the recruitment process of teachers for BBMP-run educational institutions.

Following the development and instructions from the DCM, the BBMP cancelled the tenders on Tuesday.

Medicover to open healthcare centres in K'taka soon

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

WITH the aim of establishing top-tier infrastructure for robotics in healthcare technology, Medicover Group of Hospitals is set to launch state-of-the-art health facilities in Karnataka. After establishing a cardiac care centre in Hyderabad, the institution now plans to introduce accessible healthcare solutions, focusing on expertise in cardiology, urology and nephrology.

Dr Anil Krishna, Chairman and Managing Director of Medicover Group of Hospitals, India, said the institution plans to set up healthcare facilities not only in Bengaluru, but also in other districts such as Hassan and Davanagere.

"We are currently conducting trials focusing on radiology and diagnostics, including lab technology and radiography. As technology progresses, the healthcare centres will incorporate robotic missions, particularly for joint replacements and general surgeries, in addition to other posterior surgeries," he said.

Speaking with *TNIE*, Dr Krishna highlighted the institution's plans in the state and said healthcare needs to be stronger in metropolitan areas. Metropolitan cities like Bengaluru have more clinical talent, skilled professionals and resources compared to tier-two cities.

Dr Krishna said hospitals will have the best infrastructure. "Once this infrastructure is established, it will attract the right clinical talent, as the best skill sets always prefer the best facilities. Top-tier infrastructure promotes recruitment of clinical talent and helps in attracting and retaining the best clinical professionals," he added.

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> Dr Anil Krishna, CMD, Medicover Group of Hospitals, India

EXPRESS READ

TRAFFIC POLICE TO FINE MOTORISTS IF VEHICLES BREAK DOWN ON ROADS

BENGALURU: To reduce traffic obstructions and enhance road safety, the Bengaluru traffic police will book and penalise drivers if their four-wheelers and heavy vehicles break down in the middle of the road due to their negligence. The police said they will also book drivers under IPC Section 283 (danger or obstruction in a public way or line of navigation). Joint Commissioner of Police (Traffic) MN Anucheth said that if a car or a heavy vehicle stops on the road because of fuel drying up, or if the drivers are not carrying tool kits, they will be booked under IPC 283 for negligent acts which cause traffic jams. Drivers should ensure their vehicles are adequately fuelled and equipped with essential tools. Police will book cases only on high-density roads and arterial roads, he said. DCP (South-Traffic) Shivaprakash Devaraj said traffic police will refer the matter to court and fine will be imposed by the court.

Daily Starscope

PETER VIDAL

29TH May : For the third day running I'm talking about Jupiter. This wonderful planet's close relationship with Neptune brings the celestial representatives of religious faith and mystical truths into close contact. It happens about once every twelve years and is perfect for people who pursue their dreams, but not so fine for individuals with businesslike tasks to complete.

ARIES (Mar 21 - Apr. 20)
You have by no means passed the point of no return, and there is plenty of time left in which you may take an important decision, especially one concerning your domestic interests. It's possible, though, that events may soon gently force your hand.

TAURUS (Apr. 21 - May 21)
Your heart says one thing, your wallet another. A business trip may take second place to a romantic flutter. You don't often leave vital business on the shelf, but you should now have the chance to take a break. There is everything to be gained from ventures which are now getting under way.

GEMINI (May 22 - June 21)
Selflessness is next to saintliness, and one way to exploit current planetary alignments is to get involved in a charitable activity. Certainly, you have much to gain from putting others first and developing the caring, kind and compassionate side of your nature.

CANCER (June 22 - July 23)
Family responsibilities are on the agenda. Turn your attention to broader issues, including work and business, because a solution which takes all these factors into account will be best for your home life. Give more space to children and younger relations - they need your support.

LEO (July 24 - Aug. 23)
Serious news may require a quick trip away. You may come to a long-awaited decision and your thoughts will turn to ways in which you can improve your life. Yet, you're just not sure if personal affairs or work should take precedence. According to the Moon, home takes first place.

VIRGO (Aug. 24 - Sept. 23)
The Moon looks particularly intense today, and deep inside your psyche your imagination stirs. If concentrating on professional affairs, please push forward with confidence in your future. If decorating, aim for colourful schemes. If shopping, go for luxuries.

LIBRA (Sept. 24 - Oct. 23)
Matters you are working on now will undoubtedly require more research. Your ideas are potentially profitable, but it may be best to leave them to gestate until you've laid sufficient groundwork. Firm foundations will give you a solid basis for your adventurous thoughts.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24 - Nov. 22)
Your hidden nomadic impulses are starting to come out, but you may be obliged to restrain such restless feelings for the moment. In any case, routine chores will be less tedious than you feared. You may be surprised when family members lend a helping hand.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 23 - Dec. 22)
A pleasing financial report could start the day on a happy note, but what really matters is your inner life. This is a promising time for romance, for settling final arrangements with youngsters and for travel plans. Do not be drawn into devious manoeuvres and disputes.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 23 - Jan. 20)
There could be headaches in the short term, and hassles with partners may make you imagine that the world is ganging up against you. Nothing could be further from the truth. Instead, you must accept useful and constructive guidance. Friends, even people you've met recently, could have the best advice.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 - Feb. 19)
A number of your activities are about to reach a successful conclusion, helped by work carried out by others for your benefit. It must be pleasing to know that colleagues are determined to help you out. At work, you'll face up to shifting responsibilities.

PISCES (Feb. 20 - Mar 20)
Your home may be the venue for a social gathering which could have a helpful spin-off in your work, perhaps through meeting an unexpected guest or forging a potentially useful contact. The Moon's somewhat intense alignments suggest a mystery of sorts - though you might not be sure exactly what!

Solutions to Yesterday's puzzle

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TEST YOUR NUMBER CRUNCHING SKILL WITH OUR UNIQUE PUZZLE

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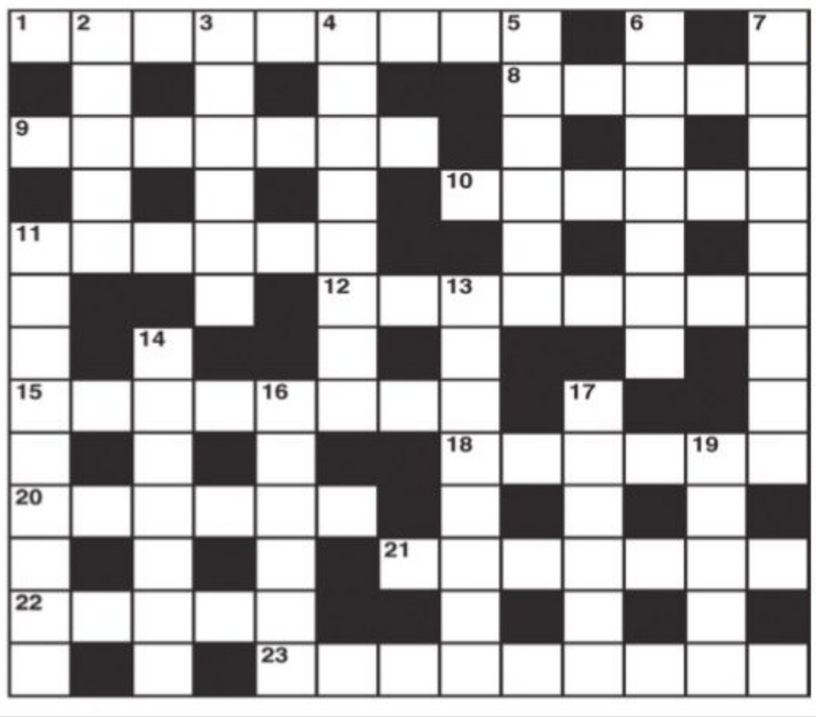

CROSS WORD

ACROSS
1 Faults of flimsy neckwear (9)
8 Entertain a goddess (5)
9 Hair-raising waves (7)
10 Make ball go round like a sphere? (6)
11 Possibly read of a sort of capital investment (6)
12 Doctor making a confession for a death at sea (8)
15 Meet a number on the border (8)
18 Burma's whirling dances (6)
20 They are in the majority (6)
21 Cheese list not put out (7)
22 Fruit lose heart when cook uses it (5)
23 Vehicle likely to show the mark of an accident (6,3)

DOWN
2 Right on edge of the river (5)
3 Oils go into arctic dwellings (6)
4 Ring fighter (8)
5 Plant entirely consumed by a greedy creature (6)
6 Seal stew can make tender eating (7)
7 Dangerous indications (3,6)
11 Yet it may mean a slender hope (3,6)
13 Rock opera first produced by a worker (8)
14 Query in another form (7)
16 Ernest breaks records (6)
17 I'm less inclined to show signs of pleasure (6)
19 Scent a start to love affair (5)

YESTERDAY'S SOLUTIONS

Across: 1 Exposed, 4 Score, 7 Upon, 8 Evermore, 10 Photograph, 12 Shabby, 13 Depart, 15 Permissive, 18 Placated, 19 Newt, 20 Stick, 21 Electra.

Down: 1 Equip, 2 Proposal, 3 Divers, 4 Striptease, 5 Oboe, 6 Element, 9 Double talk, 11 Manifest, 12 Scrapes, 14 Ampere, 16 Extra, 17 Magi.

JUMBLE

UNSCRAMBLE THESE JUMBLES, ONE LETTER TO EACH SQUARE, TO FORM FOUR ORDINARY WORDS.

BY DAVID L. HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

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The Comic Panel
Put your hands together for whatever that was.
I thought the egg joke would crack them up. Must've been too "pun-gent". I had fun though.
Don't let that get you down. This may not be the crowd for puns.
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THE NOVICE STAND-UP COMEDIAN'S PERFORMANCE WASN'T WELL RECEIVED, BUT HE ---
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

Yesterday's Jumbles: PILOT APRON PIGLET AFFIRM
Answer: She couldn't decide whether to choose heads or tails and kept — FLIP-FLOPPING

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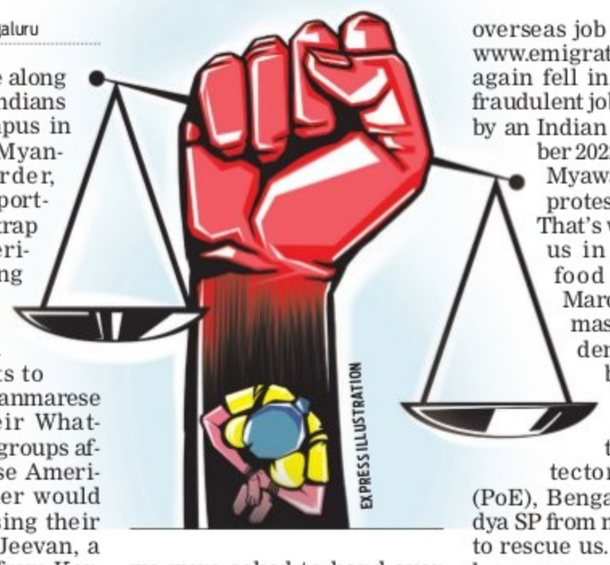
The warder of Hindalga central prison in Belagavi was assaulted by an inmate on Monday and was admitted to a hospital in the city. According to jail sources, Rahil alias Rohan, who was externed from Hassan district, had sought jail warder Vinod Lokapur's permission to take treatment at the prison clinic. When Lokapur delayed granting him the permission, Rohan attacked him and kicked him badly

'HELD CAPTIVE IN MYANMAR, TOLD TO HONEYTRAP AMERICANS'

4 from state rescued; landed in Yangon through fake job offers

BALA CHAUHAN @bengaluru



EXPRESS ILLUSTRATION

HE was held captive along with several other Indians in a sprawling campus in Myawaddy, on the Myanmar-Thailand border, where they were reportedly asked to honey-trap at least three Americans on microblogging social media platform 'X' every day. "We were instructed to transfer the chats to our Chinese and Myanmarese 'employees' on their WhatsApp and Telegram groups after befriending these Americans, and the former would then scam them using their chat details," said Jeevan, a business executive from Karnataka and one of four men from the state who were rescued along with other Indians by the Ministry of External Affairs (MEA). The four recently returned to India from Yangon and Bangkok.

These men were conned into taking up fraudulent marketing jobs in Thailand, but landed in Myanmar instead, where they were allegedly held in captivity and forced to honey-trap foreigners, mainly Americans, using fake profiles of female models. "The Chinese men on campus share the X post profiles of some Americans, who are in their mid-40s and 50s and with a huge following on the microblogging social media platform. They ask us to impersonate female models and celebrities, and befriend the Americans using a script given by them. Once they got comfortable with us, we were asked to hand over our chats to our captors, who would scam the Americans using chat details," he said.

While chatting, some 'online American friends' would ask for an audio call. "There were three Russian and Chinese women on site, who would impersonate models and speak to them. If the latter demanded a video call, they were blocked," said Jeevan.

Jeevan was twice conned into fraudulent overseas jobs, the first time in August 2022, when he had come across a job vacancy of a marketing executive in Bangkok on Facebook, on a monthly salary of 1500 USD. Instead of Thailand, he was taken to Myanmar, but was lucky the first time and got off the hook due to pressure from the Indian and Myanmar governments.

Despite one bad experience and MEA's strong advisory on overseas job offers (https://www.emigrate.gov.in), Jeevan again fell into the trap of a fraudulent job offer in Yangon by an Indian agent in December 2022. "I was taken to Myawaddi campus and protested with others. That's when they locked us in rooms without food and water. In March 2023, we held a massive protest and demanded that we be sent back to India. I managed to send an email to the MEA, Protector of Emigrants (PoE), Bengaluru, and Mandya SP from my mobile phone, to rescue us. The Indian embassy swung into action and helped us but my Chinese captor demanded Rs 1,10,000 from me to be free. I spoke to my family and they sent the money," narrated Jeevan.

He added that there are "hundreds of Indians still trapped on the campus at Myawaddy on the Myanmar-Thailand border, forced into running the writ of the Chinese and Myanmarese scamsters".

Along with MEA, the Cyber Crime Coordination Centre (I4C) is giving a lot of attention to check organised cybercrime gangs from South East Asian countries, that include Cambodia, Myanmar and Laos PDR. The Ministry of Home Affairs has set up an inter-ministerial committee headed by a top security officer.

(Visit https://www.emigrate.gov.in to verify overseas job offers)

Three held for defacing Savarkar signboard

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ON Veer Savarkar's birth anniversary on Tuesday, three youth smeared his name on the signboard of the Yelahanka flyover with black paint on Tuesday.

The youth, who claimed to be members of the National Students Union of India (NSUI) -- a student wing of the Indian National Congress, were arrested a few hours later by the Yelahanka New Town police. The state BJP unit slammed the state Congress government.

The accused have been identified as Lakshya Gowda, Praveen and Nischay Gowda, aged 22-24 years. The police said the incident took place around 2 pm when a group of youth gathered at the flyover, holding the portrait of Bhagat Singh and raised 'Inquilab Zindabad' slogans. Three of them climbed the signboard and smeared Veer Savarkar's name with black paint. They also put up a banner that read 'Bhagat Singh flyover'.

On receiving information, the Yelahanka New Town police registered an FIR under the provisions of the Karnataka Open Place Disfigurement Act, Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act and various sections of IPC. Within a few hours, the police managed to nab the three accused. During the interrogation, they allegedly said they vandalised the signboard to become leaders and get recognised.

Meanwhile, BJP slammed the Congress government over the incident and Opposition leader in the Assembly R Ashoka posted on X, "While Veer Savarkar's photo adorned Rahul Gandhi's Bharat Jodo Yatra in Karnataka, and its affiliates continue to denigrate Veer Savarkar by defacing the signboard of Veer Savarkar Flyover in Bengaluru."

BJP MLA from Yelahanka constituency SR Vishwanath staged a protest with BJP workers after the incident. He told reporters that one should know the history of Savarkar. The flyover was named after Savarkar after the approval from the government and inaugurated by former CM BS Yediyurappa. The police arrested only three accused, while the remaining are left free. They should be arrested, otherwise the party will protest, he said. There was strong opposition to name the flyover after Savarkar by the BJP government in 2020.

J'khand man held for stealing phones at stadium

Bengaluru: One of the four thieves from Jharkhand, who had targeted people near the Chinnaswamy stadium during Indian Premiere League matches, has been arrested by the Siddapura police. In all, 32 mobile phones worth Rs 19.50 lakh have been recovered. The accused, Pankaj Singh, had stolen a mobile phone from a woman police constable when she and her family had come to watch an IPL match on May 18. Singh was arrested on Someshwaranagar Main Road when he was trying to sell the stolen mobile phone. On searching his house, police found the other phones. The police are on the lookout for the remaining three. **ENS**

Police Commissioner B Dayananda with the seized mobile phones

Taboos persist, govt must scale up awareness

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MENSTRUAL HYGIENE DAY

ON World Menstrual Hygiene Day on Tuesday, activists spoke to girl students in government schools on the outskirts of Bengaluru and found that taboo and myths around menstruation still persist.

This academic year (2024-25), the activists want the government to improve awareness programmes and prevent adolescent girls from dropping out of school. They also sought upgrading the existing toilet infrastructure and ensure that water and dustbins are available at all levels.

Agatha Shekar, training officer, Suniti Solomon Foundation, often conducts sessions with students about menstrual hygiene and creates awareness about periods. She said, "Even today, we see girls are shy about the subject and don't want to talk about it. There are several misconceptions and stigmas in society. When we take sessions with girls, we find that their families and communities are still following the age-old traditions and restrictions, leaving them in isolation. Adolescent girls are unsure whether their blood is 'clean' or 'dirty' and often fail to follow hygiene practices."

Recalling an incident in government schools, another activist, Anitha Rao, said schools lack period-friendly infrastructure and toilets don't even have latches to close doors for changing pads. These practices and social stigma force young girls to drop out of school and leave their education midway.

'Need effective policies to curb tobacco use'

BENGALURU: The National Institute of Mental Health and Neurosciences (NIMHANS) observed World No Tobacco Day here on Tuesday.

Speakers organised by the Centre for Addiction Medicine and the Department of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry highlighted the adverse impact of tobacco on children's health and stressed the need for effective policies to curb its use. Dr Pratima Murthy, director of NIMHANS, and Dr Jagadish Kaur, regional advisor, Tobacco Free Initiative at WHO-SEARO, called for global initiatives combined with local actions to curb tobacco use.

Dr Shobha, director, Department of Collegiate Education, highlighted the importance of the SEIZE model for educators dealing with students caught using tobacco. **ENS**

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POSSESSION NOTICE

Possession of Immovable Properties U/S 13(4) of SARFAESI Act 2002 r/w Rule 8(1)

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bangalore** under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002 and in exercise of power under section 13(12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 issued demand notice on the dates mentioned below calling therein upon the within - named Borrowers / Guarantors to repay the **amount mentioned below within 60 (Sixty) days from the date of the said notice.**

The within named Borrowers / Guarantors having failed to repay the amount, the Notice is hereby given to them and the public in general that the undersigned has taken the possession of the properties described herein below in exercise of the powers conduct on him under Section 13(4) of the said of the Act read with rule 9 of the said Rules of the below mentioned date. The Borrowers / Guarantors in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the said property in any manner whatsoever and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Mahila Co-operative Bank Ltd., Bangalore** for the amount. interest & other charges thereon.

Sl. No.	Name of Borrowers/Guarantor	Descriptions of the Property	Date of Demand Notice	Date of Possession	Amount Outstanding in Rs.
1.	**Sri. S Kishore,** S/o. H. Sathyanarayana, No. 504, 6th Main, 6th Cross, STBED Layout, 4th Block, Koramangala, Agara, Bengaluru-560 034. **1. Smt. Srilakshmi Kishore,** W/o. S. Kishore, No. 504, 6th Main 6th Cross, STBED Layout, 4th Block, Koramangala, Agara, Bengaluru-560 034. **2. Sri. Krishnaprasad H S,** S/o. Subba Rao, "Suvidha", Garehatti Street, Jayalakshmi Layout, Chitradurga-577 502.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Present Corporation No.3 registered in PID No.22-120-31, BDA No.893, Situated at 18th Main Road, 5th Block, Rajajinagara, Bengaluru City, BBMP Ward No.22(108), Bengaluru, Measuring East to West 55'-00" Fts and North to South 40'-0" Fts, having a total extent of 2200 square feets and **bounded on the : East by :** Road, **West by :** Conservency Lane, **North by :** Site No.894, **South by :** Site No. 892.	21.03.2024	24.05.2024	A/c. No. EMI-299 Rs. 1,81,46,191/- as on 19.03.2024, plus further interest and other charges.
2.	**1. Smt. Prema,** W/o. Late K M Raghavaiah, **2. Sri. Bhaskar K R,** S/o. Late K M Raghavaiah, **3. Sri. Diwakar K R.** S/o. Late K M Raghavaiah, **4. Sri. Kumar K R,** S/o. Late K M Raghavaiah, **All are resident at :** No. -, "Raghava Nilaya", Near PWD Quatras, SLN Road, J C Extension, Kanakapura-562 117. Ramanagara Dist. 1. **1. Smt. Usha V,** W/o. Kumar K R, No.-, "Raghava Nilaya", Near PWD Quatras, SLN Road, J C Extension, Kanakapura-562 117. Ramanagara Dist. **2.** Sri. Shiva, S/o. Siddegowda, No.-, Narayanapura, Kasaba Hobli, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara Dist-562 117.	All that piece and parcel of Immovable property being land with residential building bearing Site No.12-2-101, registered in Khata No.664/872, Situated at M G Road, Kodihalli Road, Ward No.24, Kanakapura Town, Kanakapura Taluk, Ramanagara District. Meeasuring East to West (47.853696 + 52.120904)/2 Mts Or (157'+171')/2 Fts and North to South (7.315215 M+ 7.924816)/2 Mts Or (24'+26')/2 Fts, having a total extent of 4100 square feets and **bounded on the : East by :** Road, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Property of Gopal, **South by :** Property of Venkatappa.	19.03.2024	24.05.2024	A/c. No. EMI-18 Rs. 1,26,30,165/- 18.03.2024, plus further interest and other charges.

Date : 24.05.2024
Place : Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Mahila Co-Operative Bank Ltd. Bangalore.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Public are informed that My Clients Mrs. INDRANI and Mr. NIKHIL KUMAR RAJU D residing at No. 34-1/1, 3rd Cross, Shakiganapathinagar, Basaveshwaranagar, Bangalore – 560 079 are desirous of purchasing the schedule property from Mr. M.T.SIDDALINGAPPA (AAdhar No: 9977 1096 9352) S/o Thimmappa, as a Vendor/Seller, and he also agreed to sell the property mentioned in the schedule hereto, to my client the immovable property more fully described in the schedule below. If any person(s)/banks/ institutions or all persons claiming an interest in the said property or any part thereof by way of sale, gift, lease, inheritance, exchange, mortgage, charge, lien, trust, possession, easement, attachment or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known to the undersigned at his office **within 10 days** from the date hereof, failing which the said sale will be completed, without any reference to such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived. Any persons has/have any right, claim or interest in the said property or any objection whatsoever to the said transaction, he/they may communicate the same to the undersigned within 10 days from this notice with documentary proof in support thereof, failing which my client shall assume that there are no such rights, claims interest(s) or objections and shall proceed to finalize the transaction as advised.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF vacant site bearing No.280, (Katha 478/1) formed in portion of land bearing converted survey No.21/1, vide Conversion Order No.B.Dis. ALN.SR(N)137/2002-03, dated 11.4.2003, issued by the Special Deputy Commissioner (Revenue), Bangalore District, Katha No.87/21/1, situated at Gidadakonenahalli village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, presently coming under the Administrative Jurisdiction of Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike bearing katha No.782/478/1/280, Ward No:72-Herohalli, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 44 feet, totally measuring 1320 sqft and bounded on:- **East by:** Site No.279 **West by:** Site No. 281 **North by:** 30-0 feet Road, **South by:** Site No 29.

(SHIVAPRAKASH K N), Advocate, SRS LAW ASSOCIATES
No.548, 7th Main, Vijayanagar, Bangalore-40, **M : 9341824536**
Date : 28-05-2024 **Place : Bangalore**

OPPORTUNITIES

केन्द्रीय विद्यालय, आई.आई.टी. तिरुपति
KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA, IIT TIRUPATI
IIT CAMPUS, YERPEDU PO., TIRUPATI-517619 (Dist. TIRUPATI, A.P)
(Department of School Education & Literacy, Under Min. of Education., GoI)
email: kviittpt@gmail.com; Phone: KV Code:2450; Station Code: 284

A Walk-in-interview will be conducted for the following Part-Time Contractual posts, as per the schedule given below, at KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA, IIT TIRUPATI, YERPEDU, TIRUPATI Dist. for preparation of panels for the academic session 2024-25:

तारीख एवं दिन/ Date & Day	पंजीकरण के लिए रिपोर्टिंग का समय/ Reporting Time for Registration	पद एवं विषय/ Post & Subject
11.06.2024 (TUESDAY)	08:30 am - 11:00 am	Primary Teachers, Computer Instructor, and Vocational Instructor (Music)

- Certificate verification: 08:30 am to 11:00 am
- Eligible and interested candidates may download the Bio Data Form from the given website and submit alongwith self-attested copies of required documents and photograph at the time of walk-in-interview
- No TA/DA will be paid for attending the interview
- Age criteria: 18-65 Years
- VENUE: KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA, IIT TIRUPATI CAMPUS
- For qualifications and further details, please visit website: **https://iittp.ac.in/kvsiittcampus**

प्राचार्य/ Principal

ROSARB - Bangalore South, 4th Floor, Vijaya Tower, Bank of Baroda, Trinity Circle, Bangalore - 560 001. Tele Phone : 080-25011441, Extn. - 128, E-Mail : sarbes@bankofbaroda.co.in

Bank of Baroda

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX-IV-A [See Provision to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with provision to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of **Bank of Baroda**, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **15.06.2024 "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** for recovery of below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below –

Name & address of Borrower/s Guarantor/s/Mortagagor (s)	detailed description of the immovable properties with known encumbrances, if any	1) Branch Name 2) Account Number 3) Total Dues.	1) Date & Time of E-auction	Reserve Price, EMD amount, Bid Increase Amount Last Date of Receipt of Emd	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical)	Property Inspection date & Time
M/s. Pruthvi Infrastructure, No. 37, 2nd Cross, Jambusavaridinne, J P Nagar, 8th Phase, Bangalore -560076. Developers Rep By Partners : **1. Mr. Pruthviraj** S/o. P. Shankar, **2. Mr P Shankar** S/o. Late Pillappa, **3. Mrs. Rashmi Pruthviraj**, All The Above 3 Partners Residing at No. 37, 2nd Cross, Jambusavaridinne, J P Nagar, 8th Phase, Bangalore -560083.	ALL THAT PIECE AND PARCEL OF RESIDENTIAL Flat No 303, 3rd Floor D Block, Pruthvi Royal, K No 220/43, Sy No 43, 2nd Cross MLA Layout Gottigere, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore Measuring 1483.12 Sq ft Super Built Area, 382.24 Sq Ft UDS, one car parking included Flat **Bounded by : North** : Flat No 304, **South :** Flat No 302, **East :** Corridor **West :** Block C. Known Encumbrances : Nil	**A. Rosarb-Bangalore South B. 73620600000504 73620500000017 73620600000839 C. Rs. 90,46,993.00 Rs. 42,44,702.00 Rs. 1,50,073.00 Totalling To Rs.1,34,41,768.00 as on 11.09.2023 and with Further Interest From 12.09.2023 Onwards And Along With Tax And Other Charges Etc.**	On 15.06.2024 from 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM.	Reserve Price: Rs. 35,00,000/- EMD Rs. 3,50,000/- BID Increase Amount : Rs. 25,000/- 14.06.2024	PHYSICAL Possession	With prior Appointment from Authorized officer (after 12.06.2024)

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer to the link provided in https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm and https: //ibapi.in. Also, prospective bidders may contact the authorized officer on Tel No. 080-25011441 and Mobile No. 8630886910.

Date: 28.05.2024, Place: Bangalore

Sd/- Authorised Officer, Bank of Baroda

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(A Government Of India Undertaking)

BIDADI BRANCH, RAMANAGARA DISTRICT

DEMAND NOTICE [SECTION 13(2)]
TO BORROWER/ GUARANTOR/MORTGAGOR

NOTICE ISSUED UNDER SECTION 13(2) OF THE SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002

We, **Canara Bank, Bidadi Branch, Ramanagara** had issued Demand Notices under Section 13(2) of the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Security Interest Act 2002 by Registered Post with Acknowledgment Due (RPAD) to the addresses furnished to the Bank as mentioned below. Since the notice has not been acknowledgement returned due to non-availability of addresses at the said addresses / due to evading of service of the notices sent by RPAD, notice could not be served. Further, Bank had served the said demand notices by affixture at the addresses given. The contents of the said notices are mentioned herein below.

1. Name and Address of the Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers / Mortgagors/ Guarantors: Sri. Mahadevaiah B C S/o Channappa, R/o 178/3, Banandur Village, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109, **Legal Heir: 1) Smt. K Vijaya** W/o Manadevaiah B C R/o 178/3, Banandur Village,, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara, Karnataka 562109, **2) Sri. Harisha** S/o Mahadevaiah B C R/o 178/3, Banandur Village, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara, Karnataka 562109, **3) Ms. Soumya** D/o Mahadevaiah B C R/o 178/3, Banandur Village, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara, Karnataka 562109.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Sl.No	Loan No.	Nature of Loan/Limit	Date of Sanction	Amount	Liability with interest as on 24.04.2024	Rate Of Interest(+ 2 % Penal Interest)
1.	0426619021131	HOUSING LOAN	16.01.2017	Rs. 10,00,000.00	Rs. 18,99,980.72	10.60%

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 18,99,980.72 (Rupees Eighteen Lakhs Ninety Nine Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty and Seventy Two Paisa Only) as on 24.04.2024 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 16.07.2017 **Demand Notice Dated : 29.04.2024**

Schedule (Details of Security Assets)

Name of Title Holder : Mahadevaiah B C S/o Channappa

Old Sy.No.128/3, Present Municipal Katha No.607/209/320. Located At Banandur, Ward No.17, Bidadi Town, Ramanagra District. Extent: East to West = 39 Feet, North to South=40 Feet & Total=1560 Sq.feet. Boundaries: East: Road, West: Road, North: Property of B S Nagaraju & South: Property of B M Shivalingaiah.

2. Name and Address of the Borrowers/ Co-Borrowers / Mortgagors/ Guarantors: 1) Sri. Honnappa H S/o Honnaiah K, Hulathar Hosadoddi, Bidadi Hobali, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109, **2) Sri. Manjunatha H** C/o Udaya Clinic, Main Road Bidadi, Ramanagara, Karnataka-562109.

[Details of the credit facility/ies availed by the Borrower]

Sl.No	Loan No.	Nature of Loan	Date of Sanction	Amount	Liability with interest as on 24.04.2024	Rate Of Interest (+ 2 % Penal Interest)
1.	0426619008992	HOUSING LOAN	27.02.2004	Rs. 8,00,000.00	Rs. 29,30,533.95	11.20%
2.	0426618016333	HOME IMPROVEMENT	17.03.2007	Rs. 2,00,000.00	Rs. 2,12,593.00	11.20%

Total Liability Amount: Rs. 31,43,126.95 (Rupees Thirty One Lakhs Forty Three Thousand One Hundred Twenty Six and Ninety Five Paisa Only) as on 24.04.2024 together with further interest and incidental expenses and costs.

NPA Date : 18.11.2014 **Demand Notice Dated : 24.04.2024**

Schedule (Details of Security Assets)

Name of Title Holder : Sri. Honnappa H S/o Honnaiah K

Kaneshumari No.64/59/4, Khata No.778/781/6, Bidadi Town, Ramanagra District. Extent: East to West=100 Feet, North to South=23 Feet & Total = 1200 Sq.feet. Boundaries: East Property of SK Honnappa, West: Road, North: Property of Kodappa & South: Property of Chikkaputtaia @ Kodappa.

You are here by called upon to pay **Canara Bank,** within a period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice, the respective amount mentioned here above, failing which **Canara Bank** will take necessary action under the provisions of the said Act, against the secured assets including taking possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers and the Guarantors. The powers available to **Canara Bank** under the Act include (i) power to take possession of the secured assets of the Borrowers / Guarantors / Mortgagers including the rights to transfer by way of lease, assignment or sale for realising secured assets and any transfer of secured assets by **Canara Bank** shall vest in the transferee rights in or in relation to, the secured asset transferred as if the transfer has been made by you. In terms of the provisions of section 13(13) of the said Act, you are hereby prohibited from transferring, either by way of sale, lease or otherwise (other than in the ordinary course of your business), any of the secured assets as referred to in the Demand Notice affixed and also Hypothecated / Mortgaged to the bank without prior written consent of the Bank. The notice is issued in terms of Section (13)2 of the said Act.

Date : 27.05.2024
Place : Bengaluru

Sd/- Authorised Officer
Canara Bank

A delegation of top officials, including Chief Secretary Dr Rajneesh Goel and BBMP Chief Commissioner Tushar Girinath, on Tuesday met Governor Thaawarchand Gehlot to clarify doubts with respect to at least three bills that are awaiting his assent. According to sources, these include a bill on premium floor area ratio, which allows construction of higher floors and slashing of penalty of property taxes by 50%

'DIFFICULT TASK': OVER 300 ASPIRANTS IN CONGRESS FOR 7 MLC POSTS, SAYS DKS

CM's son Yathindra likely to be in list; Siddu, DyCM to meet top brass in Delhi to finalise names

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

KARNATAKA Pradesh Congress Committee (KPCC) president and Deputy Chief Minister DK Shivakumar has said that there are over 300 aspirants for the upcoming Legislative Council elections from the Congress, and the party high command will decide on the candidates.

The elections for 11 seats in the Karnataka Legislative Council to be elected by the members of the Legislative Assembly will be held on June 13. With 135 MLAs in the Karnataka Assembly, the Congress can win at least seven MLC posts.

The Congress is likely to declare Dr Yathindra, son of Chief Minister Siddaramaiah, as one of the candidates. Dr Yathindra had sacrificed his Varuna Assembly seat to Siddaramaiah in the 2023 Assembly elections.

Speaking to the media before leaving for New Delhi to finalise the candidates, Shivakumar expressed confidence that the Congress will win seven of the 11 seats.

CM Siddaramaiah is also in Delhi.

Shivakumar also said that it was "difficult" for the Congress to decide on the final list as there were 300 aspirants. "It is not possible to accommodate every segment and every region. There is a demand from all regions to provide representation. Some seats have sitting MLCs, and others have those who worked for the party at various levels. It is difficult for the party to decide. The Congress high command will take the final decision," he said.

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> DK Shivakumar, DyCM & KPCC chief

Speaking in Delhi, Shivakumar said, "At present, we can accommodate only seven people. I have given to the high command a list of people who worked for the party. First round of meeting is over. We will also be meeting Congress president Mallikarjun Kharge and other top brass leaders." He said that the Congress will look into several criteria like "their performance in the past elections and their sacrifices for the party". On tickets to family members of sitting legislators, Shivakumar said there are no family members in the list except one which the party had promised, hinting at Dr Yathindra, son of CM Siddaramaiah.

Meanwhile, Karnataka Home Minister and senior Congress leader Dr G Parameshwara said that CM Siddaramaiah and DyCM DK Shivakumar should consult senior party leaders before finalising the names. Dr Parameshwara said that those who worked for the party and those who represent the communities that stood by the Congress should be given tickets on priority. On a few Congress leaders raising objections for not taking their suggestions into consideration in candidate selection, the Home Minister said that he has not come across anyone so far. "But I also feel senior people in the party should be consulted. They are seniors, and they have worked for the party. This is a political game plan... MLC ticket distribution is done politically. Naturally, if someone is made an MLC, that should help the party. Senior leaders will know this better," he said.

When asked about Dr Parameshwara's statement, Shivakumar said that he would not take all decisions in the selection of candidates. "We will take all the feedback into account," he said. Asked if the issue of the change of guard in the KPCC would be discussed with the top brass, Shivakumar said he has no information regarding the same.

Minister B Nagendra addresses the media in Bengaluru on Tuesday | NAGARAJA GADEKAL

> The Corporation MD has given a complaint that the transfer had not come to his knowledge. Without his signature, Rs 88 crore was transferred from one account of Union Bank to another branch. He has said he did not even get a message that the amount was withdrawn or transferred, which the bank normally does for all transactions. This raises the suspicion that officials from the department and bank were involved — B Nagendra, Minister

No role in suicide, will act against guilty, says minister

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

A day after an officer of the Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation died by suicide, Youth Empowerment and Tribal Welfare Minister B Nagendra said he has no role in the case and there was no question of resigning.

Nagendra told reporters that the CID had started a probe. Of Rs 187 crore reserved for the years 2023-24 and 2024-25, Rs 88 crore had been transferred out of the Corporation account to another account with Union Bank of India, MG Road branch, without informing the Corporation managing director (MD). Now, out of Rs 88 crore, Rs 28 crore has been transferred back.

He said if the amount were to be released, a board meeting should have been held, but due to the model code of conduct in force, it had not happened. "The remaining amount will be transferred back to the Corporation account," he said. Nagendra said there was no question of safeguarding anyone in the case. "Once we get the report, we will take action against those involved," he said. "Department officials informed us that the incident happened without their knowledge."

The minister said some bank officials are also likely to be involved in transferring the amount. "The Corporation MD has given a complaint that the transfer had not come to his knowledge. Without his signature, Rs 88 crore was transferred from one account of Union Bank to another branch. He has said he did not even get a message that the amount was withdrawn or transferred, which the bank normally does for all transactions. This raises the suspicion that officials from the department and bank were involved," he said.

Since the Corporation MD has said his signature was forged, we are awaiting the FSL report, Nagendra said. "If the report says it is the MD's signature, he will be sacked," he added.

MD JG Padmanabha, finance officer Parashuram and bank manager Shuchismitha have been named in the death note. "Based on this, finance department officials visited the Corporation office and learnt the signature was forged to transfer the amount," he alleged.

The chief secretary and principal secretary of the Backward Classes department have sought a report from the MD, and Chief Minister Siddaramaiah is also reviewing it. "A case has been registered against bank authorities too," he said.

Sitting HC judge should probe case: Vijayendra

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Kalaburagi

The BJP on Tuesday demanded a judicial probe by a sitting High Court judge into the circumstances leading to the suicide of the superintendent of Maharshi Valmiki Development Corporation on Monday.

BJP state president BY Vijayendra told reporters that Corporation superintendent Chandrashekaran's suicide has given rise to many doubts. The victim has written in his death note that there was deep corruption in the corporation and some senior officers were involved, Vijayendra said.

"The Congress government, which is the Pitamaha of corruption, should bow its head in shame. Chief Minister Siddaramaiah should sack the minister concerned, Nagendra. Otherwise, BJP will launch a statewide agitation. The government should order a judicial probe," he said.

'Cong govt achievement zero'

Vijayendra said the Congress government's achievement after completing one year in office is a big zero. Corruption is the only achievement of this government, he said, adding that law and order has collapsed.

On education minister

"The education minister should be a model for students. But his hairstyle creates a bad impression among students and teachers. I suggested that he should trim his hair, but his reaction was strange. If he does not have money to cut his hair, BJP will raise money for him," he said.

Blunders like giving 20 grace marks to SSLC students, announcing and then postponing second SSLC exams and accepting in public that he does not know and understand Kannada have degraded the image of the government, he said.

Namaz on road: M'luru cops register suo motu case

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Mangaluru

THE Mangaluru City Police has booked a suo motu case against unidentified persons who offered namaz on a public road in front of a mosque at Kankanady in Mangaluru city.

They have been booked under various sections of the IPC related to wrongful restraint, obstructing public way, unlawful assembly etc.

A statement from Mangaluru City Police Commissioner Anupam Agarwal said a probe into the incident which took place on May 24 is underway.

A video of the incident had gone viral. In the video, over a dozen men are seen offering prayers on the road prompting motorists to take a U-turn.

KSE seeks action

Earlier in the day, former minister KS Eshwarappa had demanded for the immediate arrest of those who offered namaz on the public road. Eshwarappa said "the Hindu society has awaken and not taking action against such incidents could lead to riots".

Meanwhile, Vishwa Hindu Parishad, too, had demanded action over the incident.

Police deployed at Bellur in Nagamangala taluk after a youth was attacked on Monday night | EXPRESS

Tension prevails in Nagamangala taluk after group attacks youth

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE @ Mandya

BELLUR in Nagamangala taluk was tense and heavy police bandobast was made across the taluk after a youth was attacked by a group from another community over overtaking on the road on Monday night.

According to a police complaint, Abhilash from Bellur was attacked by a group of people and is undergoing treatment at Adichunchanagiri Hospital in BG Nagar of the taluk.

The incident occurred when Abhilash, his brother Hemant and father-in-law Nagesh were going home in a car after attending the Gangaparameshwari festival on Friday night in Bellur. Four youth in another car waylaid Abhilash's car and abused them for overtaking their vehicle, it is alleged. The youth left the spot, but returned with 40 people around 1.30 am and threatened Abhilash and his family. The family visited the Bellur police station and filed a complaint against the youth. But it is said the police refused to accept the complaint. On Monday evening, a group of youth attacked Abhilash with weapons and also targeted his family members who came to stop them. Another group is also said to have gone to Abhilash's father-in-law Nagesh's house and tried to loot it. Nagesh's wife Rashmi, who was alone in the house, locked the door, while neighbours raised an alarm, scaring away the youth, another complaint stated.

SP N Yatish visited Abhilash at the hospital. On Tuesday morning, several Hindu activists along with Abhilash's parents protested in front of the Bellur police station.

3 plaints filed

Abhilash's father Ramu and mother-in-law Rashmi have filed a complaint regarding the attack. Another complaint has been filed against the police for not registering the complaint on Friday night. Yet another complaint is regarding the attack on Nagesh's house.

Leaders of Hindu organisations warned that the protest will be intensified if the accused— Muhammad Huzaif, Imran, Sufiyan and others — are not arrested immediately.

DIG (Southern Range) Amit Singh visited the Bellur police station on Tuesday along with SP Yatish. Heavy police bandobast has been made at different locations in the taluk, including the Bellur police station.

Yatish said a case has been registered based on the complaint filed by Abhilash's father. "We will ensure speedy legal action against the accused. Also, the police who refused to receive the complaint will be questioned. Action will be taken if they are found guilty," he said.

'CONDUCT PROBE INTO CORRUPTION IN CORPN'

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SHE has to take care of her two children who are studying, Kavitha said. "My husband was not a coward to end his life. In the note, he referred to misappropriation of funds in the corporation. A thorough probe should be conducted and action initiated against those involved in corruption in the corporation," she said.

"My husband came home from Bengaluru on Friday night. My son brought him home from the railway station. After reaching home, Chandrashekaran remained silent. He did not have a proper dinner and went to bed at midnight after I insisted. Until then, he worked on his laptop. He did not have food properly on Saturday also. He worked on his laptop for most part of the day. I was with him the whole day," Kavitha said.

Chandrashekharan's son Shishir also refuted the allegation against his father.

CID begins probe into official's death

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Shivamogga/Bengaluru

THE Criminal Investigation Department (CID) of the state police started an investigation into a Scheduled Tribes Corporation official's suicide. In his death note, Chandrashekharan, who was working as Superintendent at the Karnataka Maharshi Valmiki Scheduled Tribes Development Corporation, made serious allegations against his seniors, including the Managing Director of the corporation.

A CID team led by DySP Mohammed Rafi visited Chandrashekharan's house in Shivamogga on Tuesday evening and collected information from his family. The team took a laptop, a pendrive, and other documents and material. Chandrashekharan's wife Kavita told media persons that on the pendrive it was written as "JG Padmanabha".

JG Padmanabha is the MD of the corporation and he was among the officials named in the death note. The CID officials also visited Vinobha Nagar police station where the FIR was registered on Monday and gathered information from the officials. However, the CID officials refused to share any information with the media.

Speaking to the media in Bengaluru, Home Minister Dr G Parameshwara said the CID will probe the case. "The CID is going to look into that (case) and see what has transpired in it," he told the media on allegations made by Chandrashekharan against his seniors.

In his death note, Chandrashekharan alleged that he was made to transfer Rs 85 crore from the corporation to an account in a public sector bank. The opposition demanded action against senior officers and the resignation of ST Welfare Department Minister B Nagendra.

Hijab girl mocks Raghupathi Bhat

UDUPI: Aliya Assadi, one of the petitioners in the hijab case, has mocked former MLA **Raghupathi Bhat** over his expulsion from BJP. Aliya, who was a student at the Government PU College in Udupi when the hijab controversy broke, wrote on X, "God will do as He pleases. Just 60 days before the annual exams, I was forced to leave college simply because I wore a hijab. Your party celebrated this as an achievement. But today, I see your own party expelling you here in Udupi. Back then, I was the expelled student while you held a position in the party. Now, I'm a law student, and you're the one expelled from the party." **ENS**

IN THE DOCK

Circulating pen drives in Hassan: SIT arrests duo after court denies bail

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru:

TWO men accused of circulating obscene clips allegedly involving Hassan Member of Parliament **Prajwal Revanna**, were arrested by the SIT near the High Court on Tuesday morning. They were nabbed after almost a month.

The accused, Naveen Gowda and Chetan Gowda, had approached the High Court, seeking anticipatory bail after their bail plea was rejected by a court in Hassan. The High Court notified the HC registrar to consolidate all petitions pertaining to the case. A notice was also issued to the SIT and government to file objections to the bail application.

A case was filed against the accused at Hassan CEN police station on April 23. The complainant alleged that the accused had morphed videos and photographs of Prajwal and circulated pen drives containing explicit videos to every house in the constituency. The videos surfaced a week before Lok Sabha elections.

Following this complaint, the accused had applied for anticipatory bail and a Hassan-based court had denied bail to them. The SIT had also issued notices to them to appear for questioning. Hassan CEN police later transferred the case to the SIT.

State JDS president HD Kumaraswamy had strongly protested that those responsible for making the videos go viral had not been arrested.

It may be recalled that Arkalgud JDS MLA A Manju had approached SIT officials and filed a complaint against Congress worker Naveen. In a social media post, Naveen Gowda had said he had given the pen drive found on the streets of Hassan to Manju on April 21, and he could have leaked the videos. He had later deleted the post. After filing a complaint, Manju had said he did not know who Naveen was.

Naveen had also put out a Facebook post with a countdown to the release of Prajwal's videos. He had also shared a link to those who wished to see the explicit videos, and later deleted the post.

Meanwhile, SIT officials are likely to produce Naveen, Chetan and Purushotam, who were arrested in Bengaluru, before the judge in Hassan. Sources said police also interrogated the trio confidentially before producing them before the JMFC in Hassan.

SIT will request the judge to remand the trio in police custody for interrogation for two days.

SIT visits Revanna's house, MP quarters

Another SIT team visited the residence of JDS MLA HD Revanna in Holenarasipur and the official quarters of Prajwal in Hassan on Tuesday. SIT officials spent nearly one-and-half hours in both houses.

An unidentified person on Tuesday made a call to the police control room, stating that a bomb will explode at Praja Bhavan, the official residence of Telangana DCM Mallu Bhatti Vikramarka. Police searched the entire premises, nothing suspicious was found. The call turned out to be a hoax

Vehicles struggle to navigate a flooded NH-544 after heavy rain pounded Kochi on Tuesday | A SANESH

Cloudburst: Kochi overwhelmed, receives 103mm rain in one hour

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Kochi

HEAVY rain following a cloudburst inundated several parts of Kochi city and threw traffic out of gear on Tuesday, barely days before the onset of the southwest monsoon in Kerala.

The observatory at the Cochin University of Science and Technology (Cusat) in Kalamassery recorded 103mm rainfall between 9.05am and 10.05am. As per the IMD classification, if any station records over 100mm rainfall in an hour, it can be considered a cloudburst.

The downpour flooded the Edappally-Aluva stretch of the NH, leading to bumper-to-bumper traffic on the road, as well as on the flyover. Infopark, Thrikkakara, Kalamassery and several other parts of Kochi city were flooded too. Water also entered around 400 houses in Thrikkakara and Kalamassery.

"On Tuesday, we witnessed real cloudburst in Kalamassery. The rain gauge at Cusat recorded 103mm rainfall between 9.05am and 10.05am," said Cusat Advanced Centre for Atmospheric Radar Research director S Abhilash. He said the impact of Cyclone Remal in the Bay of Bengal and the strengthening westerly winds have made conditions favourable for monsoon.

"The characteristics of Tuesday's rain were a mix of pre-monsoon and southwest monsoon rainfall," Abhilash said.

"Strong westerly winds have brought heavy rain in Ernakulam, Kottayam, Idukki and Thiruvananthapuram districts. Changes in atmospheric conditions are indications of the arrival of monsoon," said India Meteorological Department director K Santhosh.

CLOUDBURST
A cloudburst is a weather phenomenon caused by a vertical column of cumulonimbus clouds that bring aggressive rainstorm in a small geographical area over a brief duration of time.

POLL INTERFERENCE

ECI SUSPENDS SPECIAL SECY TO ODISHA CMO

ECI letter says action was taken against 2 IPS officers, based on a communication from CEO

BIJAY CHAKI @ Bhubaneswar

IN a significant development, the Election Commission of India (ECI) on Tuesday ordered suspension of DS Kutey, special secretary to the chief minister's office (CMO), on charges of unduly interfering in the conduct of election.

The ECI fixed Kutey's headquarters at office of the resident commissioner in New Delhi. The 1997 batch IPS officer in the Additional DG rank has been asked to report by 3 pm on May 29, a letter by ECI secretary Rakesh Kumar to Odisha chief electoral officer (CEO) said.

Similarly, the poll panel asked IG (CM security) Ashish Singh to present himself for detailed medical examination by a special medical board constituted by the director of AIIMS, Bhubaneswar not later than May 30.

Singh has been on medical leave since May 4. The CEO has been directed to coordinate to ensure that the director of AIIMS, Bhubaneswar constitutes the special medical board to ascertain illness and treatment being undergone by Singh. The report on Singh by the CEO will have to reach the ECI by May 31.

The ECI letter said action on the two IPS officers was taken basing on a communication from the CEO on May 27 in which he had made certain averments indicating undue influence being exercised by the two officers directly connected with conduct of election work.

The ECI said this was also corroborated by various other inputs received from the field from time to time.

The election panel also directed that expeditious investigation under due process of law will continue unhindered in the case registered against BJP MLA candidate from Khurda for damaging EVM in a polling booth.

The BJP MLA candidate in question, Prasanta Jagadev, was arrested on May 25 on allegations of vandalizing EVM and manhandling poll officials at Bolagarh. However, the BJP on the day claimed that the MLA candidate was not involved in the vandalism basing on a video of the polling booth which is now being verified by the district officials.

The CEO was also directed to provide chief secretary the draft chargesheet to be issued to Kutey. The chief secretary has also been asked to arrange to issue chargesheet by competent authority under relevant service rules, not later than 5pm on May 30, 2024.

The saffron party had earlier alleged Kutey's involvement in election process and sought that his cell phone be seized for verification of call detail records. A memorandum too was submitted to the ECI in this regard. On the other hand, Singh was shifted from his IG (central range) post by the ECI last month after allegations of involvement in the elections. He later went on medical leave.

Live-in partner attacks woman with acid

ENS @ Bagalkot

IN a shocking incident, a jilted man threw acid- laced water on the face of his lover which has reportedly damaged the face and left eye of the woman.

The victim has been identified as Lakshmi Badiger (32) while man accused is Mounesh Pattar (40). The victim has been admitted in the government hospital. The man allegedly threw acid from the window when the victim did not open the door of the house located at Gaddankeri cross area of the taluk.

According to Kaladagi police that registered the case and arrested the accused, the eight-year-old daughter of Lakshmi has escaped with the minor injury. The victim and the accused are said to be the residents of Muranakeri area of Vijayapura city.

Child trafficking racket busted, 11 kids rescued

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Hyderabad

MEDIPALLY police arrested three women involved in child trafficking and rescued 11 children from people who purchased them for amounts ranging from ₹50,000 to ₹1 lakh.

The Child Welfare Committee (CWC) has taken the rescued children to a shelter and is collaborating with Rachakonda police to identify their biological parents based in Delhi and Pune.

Giving details, Rachakonda Police Commissioner Tarun Joshi told reporters that the people who bought the children bypassed the legal adoption process, which typically takes about two years. "Unable to conceive and unwilling to wait, they chose the illegal route," Joshi said. The three accused—Shobarani, a Registered Medical Practitioner, Hemalatha and Shaik Saleema—worked with eight agents to procure children from unwilling parents in Delhi and Pune, paying between ₹50,000 and ₹1.5 lakh. Agents in Delhi would acquire the babies shortly after birth, shift them while ensuring they are fed bottled milk and deliver them to buyers within a couple of days. Authorities are tracing the network back to Delhi.

Police, acting on a tip-off, rescued a girl during an exchange and uncovered the child trafficking operation. Investigations revealed the accused sold approximately 60 children over three years. The agents were identified as Bandari Hari Hara Chethan, Bandari Padma, Balgam Saroja, Mudavath Raju, Pathan Mumtaz, Jaganadam Anuradha and Yata Mamatha.

'Land recovery, revenue collection up'

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@Bengaluru

FOREST, Environment and Ecology Minister Eshwar B Khandre on Tuesday said the forest department's revenue collection has increased and so has recovery of encroached land.

Khandre told the media that revenue has increased from Rs 263.41 crore in 2019- 20 to Rs 417.84 crore in 2023- 24. Reserved forest area has increased by 3395.73 hectares in 2023- 24, and protected area has increased by 184.52 hectares. The department has also recovered 2602.30 acres of encroached forest land worth Rs 1500 crore.

Khandre said the highest land recovery has happened in Kolar division, of 1392.41 acres of encroached forest land. Also, 5.50 acres have been cleared in Madikeri and 17 acres in Bengaluru's Kothanur forest division. Around 7,500 acres of forest land in Kodagu, Chamarajanagar and Mysuru which were leased to industries and estates by the British will be recovered as soon as their lease period ends. He said companies which occupy these lands have earned crores of rupees.

The minister said Rs 100 crore has been allocated to undertake a sapling plantation drive for this financial year. In the last fiscal, 5.40 crore samples were planted across the state and a three-month audit is being done to know how many of them have survived.

On the task of filing up vacant posts in the department, Khandre said there are around 6,000 vacancies and steps are being taken to fill them up. In the first phase, 310 posts of watchers have been filled up and the process of recruiting 540 guards is under way. Directions have also been issued to conduct quick written exams to fill up posts in 10 forest zones.

PM's speech: Court to pass orders on plaint on June 13

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

THE special court for the trial of cases against sitting as well as former MPs/MLAs triable by a Magistrate in Bengaluru will pass the orders on June 13 on a private complaint filed by a human rights activist against Prime Minister Narendra Modi for his alleged hate speech made as a star campaigner of BJP in Rajasthan against a particular community.

The Special Court Judge KN Shivakumar said that the orders will be passed on June 13, after hearing the arguments of the counsel on behalf of the complainant Ziaurrahaman Nomani, who claimed to be a human rights activist in Bengaluru.

Arguing as to why the court has to take cognisance of the offences or refer the matter for investigation by the local police, the counsel on behalf of the complainant argued that Modi tried to divide the nation based on religion by stating that mangalasutra of the women will be taken away if the Congress comes to power and give away their gold to one particular community.

"The PM also termed the community members as intruding usurpers," he argued. He urged the court to take cognisance of the offences under Sections 153A, 153B, 295A, 503, 504 and 505(2) of IPC or refer the matter for investigation by the local police.

The complainant claimed that he initially approached the Amruthahalli police in Bengaluru who informed him that they would not be able to file an FIR against Modi as it falls under the purview of the ECI to take necessary action. He approached the ECI to desist Modi from making any further speeches and filed a private complaint with a prayer to take cognisance of the offence and refer the complaint to Amrutahalli police for investigation.

IN ONE VOICE

Indian animal rights activists with the group PETA, dress as dinosaurs, urging the public to go vegan in Hyderabad | M VIDYA CHARAN REDDY

No rural service: HC relief to 447 medicos

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Bengaluru

IN a relief to 447 medical graduates, the Karnataka High Court has ruled that they need not undergo the one-year compulsory rural service as per the bond signed by them, as the law enacted in 2012 was not published in the official gazette till July 2022.

The petitioners, who wrote the CET in 2015 and joined MBBS courses, challenged the notification issued on June 8, 2021, which mandated that every MBBS candidate under the government quota, who graduated in 2021, has to undergo the compulsory rural service and execute a bond to that effect. After the notification in question was issued, the state government issued a corrigendum on June 17, 2021, directing the candidates who get admitted to MBBS courses under the government quota to do the rural service, failing which, they have to pay a fine of not less than Rs 15 lakh which may extend up to Rs 30 lakh, after completing their courses. The corrigendum, however, was published in the gazette in 2022.

The corrigendum was quashed for the 447 petitioners since the government notified the amended rules to impose a penalty in 2012, but published them in the official gazette in 2022, a decade after the rules were amended. However, the court granted liberty to the state government to bring in any circular or corrigendum or even a law in tune with the rule now gazetted.

"The state appears to have been in deep slumber or having a siesta for 10 years," said Justice M Nagaprasanna, while partly allowing the petition filed in 2021 and 2022 by the students, questioning the legislation and the corrigendum.

Headmaster held for impregnating Class 7 girl

ENS @ Chikkaballapur

A government school headmaster was arrested by police on Tuesday on the charges of impregnating a minor girl. A 13-year-old girl, who had completed only class 7, became pregnant after the alleged sexual assault of her school headmaster and on the complaint of the victim girl, a case has been registered under various sections at Dibburhalli police station.

According to police sources, the student was studying at a government school in Chikkaballapur district. It is alleged that school headmaster Venkatesh a year ago reportedly touched her private parts in the office room against her wishes.

When she resisted, he said nothing would happen and six months ago, he allegedly sexually assaulted the minor and told not to disclose it to anyone. It is said that after summer holidays, she was about to join class 8.

When the victim's mother noticed a change in her health, she took her to a hospital where doctors confirmed that she was conceived. Later, the victim lodged a complaint with the police. Chikballapur SP Nagesh told *TNIE* that on the complaint of the victim, the police arrested Venkatesh.

Husband was forcing her to convert: Plaint

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Rameshwari and Saidharmateja were found dead in the bedroom. Vasanta's body was lying in the kitchen.

Vasanta, who separated from her husband two years ago, married her colleague Arif. The relatives of Vasanta accused Arif of forcing the trio to convert to Islam. But Vasanta and her mother opposed and this led to frequent fights. A month ago, a meeting was held and the issue between Arif and Vasanta was resolved. However, Vasanta slipped into depression after the issue became public.

In their complaint with Munirabad police, the relatives stated that three months after their marriage, Arif started forcing Vasanta to convert to Islam.

"Vasanta told us about the torture by Arif. He was forcing her to get converted because of pressure from his community members. We held a meeting of family members a month ago and Arif promised that he would not force Vasanta to get converted," said a relative of Vasanta.

External and internal challenges keep Chandigarh candidates on their toes

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

FOR voters of Chandigarh constituency, Lok Sabha polls mean a familiar face or two on the ballot. But it is an entirely different scenario this time as there are no repeat candidates. Congress leader and former Union minister Manish Tewari, who is contesting from Chandigarh for the first time, is pitted against the BJP's Sanjay Tandon, who is eyeing his Parliament debut from this seat.

SHOWTIME FOR GLADIATORS

To field Tewari, the Congress has benched former Union minister Pawan Kumar Bansal, who was the party's Chandigarh candidate in the past four elections. The BJP, too, has dropped sitting MP Kirron Kher, who has represented the seat twice. Tewari, 58, hopes to spoil the BJP's chances with the support of the AAP whereas Tandon, 60, believes his 'local man' status will help him. Tandon is the former chief of BJP's Chandigarh unit.

As the fight gets fiercer, both have a common problem to deal with – bickering in their respective camps. Denying ticket to Bansal caused a mini revolt in the Congress with many local leaders resigning. They were triggered after Congress's Chandigarh unit chief H S Lucky allegedly mocked Bansal on the ticket issue.

For the record, Bansal maintains he is a Congress loyalist but is hardly seen campaigning for Tewari. All is not well with the BJP either as former MP Satya Pal Jain, who was keen to contest again from Chandigarh, is hardly campaigning for Tandon.

Not just Jain, many other party leaders and councillors have been conspicuous by their absence in Tandon's campaign. Despite these challenges, both the candidates have their hopes up. The full support of the AAP will also come in handy for Tewari while the Modi factor will boost Tandon's prospects.

Manish Tewari (L), Sanjay Tandon

ILLUSTRATION: MANDAR PARDIKAR

Among other things, The Congress is highlighting BJP MP Kirron Kher's long absence from the constituency to show the saffron party in poor light. Mumbai-based Kher was away for nearly a year after she was diagnosed with cancer and had to undergo treatment.

As for the BJP, it has labelled Tewari as an outsider, forcing the latter to highlight his schooling from the city as proof of his Chandigarh roots. Tewari was born in Ludhiana and is the sitting MP from Anandpur Sahib.

Tandon, son of former Chhattisgarh governor late Balram Das Tandon, who was also one of the founding members of the Jan Sangh, terms Tewari a constituency hopper. "After his term in Ludhiana and Anandpur Sahib, he has come here as tourist," he says, alleging that the Congress candidate does not even know the names of the sectors and villages of Chandigarh.

In response to Tandon's remarks, Tewari says the BJP has been in power for the past 10 years but it has failed to fulfil the promises in its manifesto. He notes that the BJP had promised a mono rail in Chandigarh in its 2019 manifesto but did nothing about it. Nor was there any progress on the Metro project, Tewari pointed out adding that the city's roads remain clogged due to heavy traffic.

"Tandon owes it to the people of the city, as he was the Chandigarh BJP president for eight years during this period," he says.

There are 25 colonies in the city that have nearly half of the constituency's total voters, who can decide will be the next MP. Of the 6,47,291 registered voters in the constituency, around 3 lakh are residents of these colonies, which are plagued by various civic issues.

Both the candidates are campaigning in these colonies to woo the influential electorate. In 2019, the voter turnout from these colonies was 74%.

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Declaration about Criminal antecedents of candidates set up by the party

(As per the judgment dated 25th September, 2018, of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No.536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.)

Name of Political Party : **INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS PARTY**

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Name of State/~~UT~~ : **KARNATAKA**

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Sl. No.	Name of candidate	Name of constituency	Pending criminal cases		Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences	
			Name of Court, case No. & status of the case(s)	Sections of the Acts concerned & brief description of offence(s)	Name of Court & date(s) of order(s)	Description of offence(s) & punishment imposed
1	DR. CHANDRASHEKAR B. PATIL	NORTH - EAST GRADUATES CONSTITUENCY	Vth Additional Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Kalaburgi, Case No. C.C.NO.4635/2018 Charges framed - Dated 17-08-2022 According to FIR NO.78/18, Ashoknagar Police Station, Kalaburgi,	U/S 171(H), 188 IPC Erected a Banner on a House	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Declaration about Criminal antecedents of candidates set up by the party

(As per the judgment dated 25th September, 2018, of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No.536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.)

Name of Political Party : **INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS PARTY**

* Name of Election : **GENERAL ELECTION TO MEMBER OF LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL FROM SOUTH – WEST GRADUATES CONSTITUENCY, JUNE – 2024**

Name of State/~~UT~~ : **KARNATAKA**

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Sl. No.	Name of candidate	Name of constituency	Pending criminal cases		Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences	
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1	AAYANURU MANJUNATH	SOUTH – WEST GRADUATES CONSTITUENCY	Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Hosanagara, Shimoga District Case No. C.C.NO.639/2018 Charges Framed – U/S 171(E) IPC & IS Under Trial.	U/S 171(E) IPC Breach of Code of Conduct in the Election	Not Applicable	Not Applicable

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Name of State/~~UT~~ : **KARNATAKA**

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Sl. No.	Name of candidate	Name of constituency	Pending criminal cases		Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences	
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1	MANJUNATH KUMAR. K.K	SOUTH – WEST TEACHERS CONSTITUENCY	Not Applicable	Not Applicable	Chief Metropolitan Magistrate Court, Mayohall Unit, Bangalore. Case No. C.C.No. 55927/2016, 55930/2016, 55934/2016 & C.C.No. 55935/2016 Charges framed - Cheque Bounce Case, Convicted in all the above four cases, Court Order dated 26-11-2021	U/s 138 of Negotiable Instrument Act, Cheque Bounce Case 1) Case No. C.C.No. 55927/2016 Claim Amount of Rs. 3,31,000/- to be paid. In case of default 5 months simple imprisonment & he has gone for appeal before the Appellate Court. 2) Case No. C.C.No. 55930/2016 Claim Amount of Rs. 4,45,100/- to be paid. In case of default 5 months simple imprisonment & he has gone for appeal before the Appellate Court. 3) Case No. C.C.No. 55934/2016 Claim Amount of Rs. 3,31,000/- to be paid. In case of default 5 months simple imprisonment & he has gone for appeal before the Appellate Court. 4) Case No. C.C.No. 55935/2016 Claim Amount of Rs. 3,14,700/- to be paid. In case of default 5 months simple imprisonment & he has gone for appeal before the Appellate Court.

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Regd Office: No. 21, Patullos Road, Chennai - 600 002.
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Branch Office: Old No. 1947, New No. 19, 2nd Floor, 9th Block, 28th Main, South, D' Main Road, Jayanagar, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560069.

DEMAND NOTICE

(Under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (SARFAESI) Act 2002)

The under mentioned parties are hereby informed that the Company has initiated proceedings against each of you under the SARFAESI ACT, 2002, and that the notices under Section 13(2) of the Sarfaesi Act sent to each of you separately by Regd. Post Ack. due have been returned unserved. Hence both / all of you are hereby called upon to take notice to pay jointly and severally the below mentioned outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the Company shall proceed and exercise all or any of the powers conferred upon the Secured Creditor under Section 13 (4) of the Sarfaesi Act to realize its dues with interests and costs as contemplated under the Act. Needless to mention that this notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the Company.

Sl. No.	Name & Address of Borrower & Co-Borrower	File No. Amount (Outstanding Rs.)	Description of the Secured Property
1	**Mr. Yashodara G P (Borrower) Mrs. Reshma Pinto (Co-Borrower),** Both are residing at No 1207, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Lns Temple Road, Munnekolalu Marathahalli, Munnekolala, Bangalore - 560037.	**File No. 82400173 Outstanding amount Rs.25,65,323/-** (Rupees Twenty Five Lakhs Sixty Five Thousand Three Hundred and Twenty Three only) (As on 30/04/2024) along with further interest, Cost and other charges etc., if any till actual date of payment)	All that piece and parcel of the southern portion of property bearing Site No.1, is formed out of converted Survey No.224, portion of BBMP Khatha No.72/224/1, Municipal No.09, situated at Amani Bellandur Khane Village, Varthur Hobli, Bengaluru East Taluk, presently comes under Bruhat Bangalore Mahanagara Palike limits, Bengaluru, measuring East to West 38 Feet and North to South 30 Feet in all measuring 1140 Square Feet and **bounded on:** East by : Property belongs to Channasandra Anka Reddy. West by: 25 Feet Road. North by : Northern Portion of Same Site No.1. Soth by : Site No.2. Together with 900 Square Feet of R.C.C roofed house in Ground Floor, constructed with cement and bricks, hone wood doors and windows, mosaic flooring with all civic amenities.

Notice Date: 30/04/2024

for SUNDARAM HOME FINANCE LTD.,
Authorised officer.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform to General Public that our clients Mr. DINESH KUMAR, have negotiated to purchase the schedule property mentioned infra, from SMT. S L JAYALAKSHMI, legal owners of the schedule property, which she had purchased, through Document No. 8411-1994-95, Volume No. 4081, Dated 15-02-1995. All that piece and parcel of Vacant Site No. 340/1, Khatha No. 340/1, property Assessment House List No. 1, Khatha Sl.No. 5061, situated at Bommanahalli, Bagur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, measuring :- East to West 46' Feet, North to South 28' Feet, 1288 Sq.Feet Totally bounded by:- East by: Remaining Portion of the Vendors, West by: Property of V.P. Abdul Rahaman, North by : 8' Road, South by: Property of Koramangala Ramaiah Reddy. Any person/s have any objections, for the proposed sale and having any right, title, charge, claim/s, interest, in the schedule property may file their written objections along with evidentiary proof if any, before the under signed within 7 days from the date of this Notice, failing which our clients shall construe that there is no from of encumbrance or objection from anyone, to the Transaction and proceed with the completion of the sale transaction any activities subsequent to this publication and execution of Absolute Sale Deed shall be at your own risk.

GOLDEN CHAIN LAW FIRM
07, Ganesha Temple Building, Begur Road, Bommanahalli, Bangalore - 560 068.
Mob: 94482 39328, 99800 04061, 98800 36188

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

E-TENDER NOTICE FOR THE SUPPLY OF STORES NO E-10/2024

The following e-Tenders are published in IREPS website. Firms are requested to Login to **http://www.ireps.gov.in-login>E.Tender-goods & services** (new) and quote against these tenders. Manual quotations will not be entertained for these tenders. Closing time for all tenders 14:30 hours.

Sl. No	Tender No	Description	DUE DATE	QUANTITY
1.	52245534	S&A OF PU PAINT ON EXTERIOR AND INTERIOR	04/06/2024	60.00 SET
2.	26233588A	DRIVER SEAT AND PEDESTAL ASSLY	05/06/2024	168.00 NOS
3.	26242164A	SPRING HOLDER PLATE ASSEMBLY	05/06/2024	3404.00 NOS
4.	26242237	SET OF BEARING COVERS	05/06/2024	143.00 SET
5.	03245612	MANUFACTURE&SUPPLY OF 10MM THICK GROOVED RUBBER SOLE PLATE	06/06/2024	29040.00 NOS
6.	68245608	PANEL DISPLAY TO CUMMINS PART NO:288002	06/06/2024	20.00 NOS
7.	15240124	PVC INSULATED CABLESIZE 2 CORE X 2.5 SQMM	07/06/2024	71962.00 MTRS
8.	51245367	COMPLETE STATOR ASSEMBLY	07/06/2024	6.00 NOS
9.	26245003	3-PHASE ASYNCHRONOUS TRACTION MOTOR	10/06/2024	6.00 NOS
10.	03245611	MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF METAL LINER	10/06/2024	1500000.00 NOS
11.	06244309	BED SHEET MILL MADE WHITE	10/06/2024	397172.00 NOS
12.	03245607	MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF METAL LINER	10/06/2024	750000.00 SET
13.	04240028	BOGIE BOLSTER	10/06/2024	28.00 NOS
14.	21240762	NON-ASBESTOS BASED 'K'TYPE HIGH FRICTION	10/06/2024	12588.00 NOS
15.	02245257	DICLOFENAC DIETHYLAMINE+LINSEED	10/06/2024	64330.00 NOS
16.	52245513	ELECTRIC OVERHEAD TRAVELING CRANE CAPACITY 25 TONS	10/06/2024	1.00 NO
17.	52245576	EOT SEMI-GOLIATH CRANE OF 10 TON CAPACITY	10/06/2024	2.00 NOS
18.	26242636	CYLINDRICAL ROLLER BEARING	12/06/2024	264.00 NOS
19.	44240627	CENTRE PIVOT TOP	12/06/2024	1144.00 NOS
20.	06245001A	UTS THERMAL TICKET PRINTER	13/06/2024	337.00 NOS
21.	21240454	SEMI PERMANENT COUPLER END 'A'	13/06/2024	47.00 NOS
22.	51245487	ROOF MOUNTED AIR CONDITIONING SYSTEM	13/06/2024	16.00 NOS
23.	51245022B	EOT CRANE 10 TON CAPACITY	13/06/2024	1.00 SET
24.	51245117B	EOT CRANE 10 TON CAPACITY	13/06/2024	1.00 NO
25.	90245927	SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION OF WATERLESS URINALS	13/06/2024	33.00 NOS
26.	44240609	FABRICATED SIDE STANCHION	14/06/2024	3944.00 NOS
27.	52245636	HSD OIL FIRING SYSTEM OF X CLASS LOCO	14/06/2024	1.00 SET
28.	26235030	IGBT BASED 3-PHASE DRIVE PROPULSION EQUIPMENT	17/06/2024	2.00 SET
29.	68245645	EXHAUST VALVE (INCONEL), 45-DEGREE	17/06/2024	980.00 NOS
30.	03245616	MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF HIGH VISCOUS NYLON-66	18/06/2024	52800.00 NOS
31.	04240979	SUPPORTING DEVICE FOR AAR' H '	18/06/2024	163.00 NOS
32.	78237009	SELF-PRIMING MONOBLOCK PUMP ASSEMBLY	18/06/2024	300.00 SET
33.	67245117	THERMAL INSULATION FOR BVCM WAGONS	18/06/2024	8000.00 SQM
34.	44240242	KNUCKLE	20/06/2024	5144.00 NOS
35.	26245001	SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING AND COMMISSIONING OF TEST RIG	20/06/2024	2.00 SET
36.	04240877	BOGIE BOLSTER ARRANGEMENT	20/06/2024	48.00 NOS
37.	01240068	MANUAL METAL ARC WELDING(MMAW)	21/06/2024	341440.00 MTRS
38.	02245204A	HYLAN POLYMERS 48 MG	21/06/2024	263.00 NOS
39.	78236634A	ONE COACH SET OF RUBBER ITEM	21/06/2024	130.00 SET
40.	68245679	BEARING, TRACTION MOTOR NON-DRIVE END	24/06/2024	342.00 NOS
41.	68245682	BEARING, RIVETED CAGE - DRIVE END	24/06/2024	342.00 NOS
42.	78236816	MICROPROCESSOR CONTROLLER FOR ROOF MOUNT	27/06/2024	90.00 NOS
43.	03245618	MANUFACTURING AND SUPPLY OF PRE STRESSED MONO-BLOCK CONCRETE SLEEPER	28/06/2024	13200.00 NOS
44.	02245124	ATORVASTATIN 20 MG	01/07/2024	4314900.00 NOS
45.	03245615	MANUFACTURE AND SUPPLY OF HIGH VISCOUS NYLON-66	01/07/2024	1000000.00 SET
46.	02245128	LOSARTAN 50 MG TAB	02/07/2024	4098660.00 NOS
47.	02245147	RIBOCICLIB 200 MG	04/07/2024	3360.00 NOS
48.	02245150	LORLATINIB 100 MG	05/07/2024	360.00 NOS
49.	02246396	RECOMBINANT ZOSTER VACCINE INJ	11/07/2024	339.00 NOS
50.	02245123	TITANIUM POLY AXIAL FENESTRATED SCREWS	16/07/2024	165.00 NOS
51.	02245144	TOTAL KNEE PROSTHESIS	18/07/2024	94.00 NOS
52.	02245127	MECHANICAL PROSTHETIC BILEAFLET VALVE	19/07/2024	90.00 NOS
53.	02245138	CERVICAL ANTERIOR PLANTING SYSTEM	19/07/2024	570.00 NOS
54.	01240468	STAINLESS STEEL MMAW ELECTRODES	24/07/2024	170114.00 MTRS
55.	01240227	CYLINDRICAL ROLLER BEARING	31/07/2024	2098.00 NOS

The following e-Bid have been published in GeM Website. Firms are requested to login to **www.gem.gov.in** and quote against the following e-bid. Manual quotations will not be entertained

56.	GEM/2024/B/4860587	FORKLIFTS (V2) AS PER IS 6765:2003	13/06/2024	2.00 NOS
57	GEM/2024/B/ 4902024	HIRING OF EARTH MOVING EQUPMENT'S;FORKLIFT	14/06/2024	7.00 NOS

CORRIGENDUM

TENDER NOTICE NO	ITEM SL NO	TENDER NO & DUE DATE	ITEM	FIELD NAME	EXISTING	READ AS
E-08/2024	40	03245606	COMPOSITE GROOVED RUBBER SOLE PLATES	TENDER CLOSING DATE TIME	20/05/2024 14:30	30/05/2024 14:30
E-08/2024	55	03245105	TUNGSTEN CARBIDE TAMPING TOOL		24/05/2024 14:30	10/06/2024 14:30
E-08/2024	75	04240910	INJECTION MOULDED POLYACETAL PROTECTIVE TUBE		14/06/2024 14:30	03/06/2024 14:30
E-09/2024	31	03245610	HIGH VISCOUS NYLON-66		10/06/2024 14:30	20/06/2024 14:30

Principal Chief Materials Manager

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PUBLIC NOTICE

General Public are hereby informed that our client Coromandel International Limited, having its registered office at Coromandel House, 1-2-10 Sardar Patel Road, Secunderabad 500003, Telangana, is the title holder and owner of property bearing No. 17, admeasuring 549 square feet, situated at Ali Askar Road, Bengaluru - 560052, more fully described in the **Schedule A and B** hereto and hereinafter referred to as the "**Schedule Property**". During the normal course of business and due to inadvertent reasons, our client has misplaced the Original registered Sale Deed of the Schedule Property dated 30.03.1994 bearing Document No. 70/94-95 in Page No. 65-72, Volume - 3571, of Book - I, registered before the Sub Registrar Office, Shivajinagar, Bengaluru and is unable to relocate the same.

Our client has formally lodged a Police Complaint for the lost document and an acknowledgment bearing Lost Report No. 1071774/2024 has been obtained. Any person/s, entity, firm, banks, institution (corporate or otherwise) having any information regarding the Original Sale Deed dated 30.03.1994, please contact the undersigned within 15 days from the date of this Notice.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

SCHEDULE - A : All the piece and parcel of immovable property forming part of the property at No. 17, Ali Askar Road, Bangalore - 560052, and bounded on the:
North : by Cunningham Road; East : by Ali Askar Road; West : by the land and building belonging to the Vendor; South : by the Property bearing Door No. 17/1, Ali Askar Road, owned by the vendor and Occupied by H.M.T. Limited;
SCHEDULE - B : 549/14236 share of undivided interest equivalent to 549 Sq. ft. in the Schedule 'A' Property excluding the area segregated for reserved car park with a right to the building in term of the sanction plan in LP No. 3297/79-80 dated 8-10-1984.

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Date: 29.05.2024 Place: Bengaluru

HDB Financial Services Ltd.

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DEMAND NOTICE

Notice U/s 13(2) read with Section 13(13) of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002

You, the under mentioned borrower/ mortgagor is hereby informed that the Company has initiated proceedings against you under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 and that the Notice under 13(2) of the Act sent to you by Registered Post Ack. Due for borrower/s has been returned undelivered. Hence you are hereby called upon to take notice and pay the outstanding loan amount mentioned against the said account with interest accruing there from within 60 days from the date of this publication, failing which the company will proceed against you by exercising its right under Sub-sec (4) of Section 13 of the Act by enforcing the below mentioned security to realize its dues with interests and costs. It is needless to mention that this Notice is addressed to you without prejudice to any other remedy available to the company.

Sr. No.	Name of Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor	Loan Account No.	Date of NPA & Demand Notice Date	Amount Due in Rs./ as on
1	**1. Shivashree Wines** No 36-46-105 Magadi Main Road Prashanth Nagar Bangalore Bangalore-560079 Karnataka and Also No 244 4th Main Road 4th Block 4th Stage Magadi Main Road Dasarahalli Bangalore-560079. **2.Nagamma Muniswamappa** No 244 4th B Main Road 4th Block 4th Stage Magadi Main Road Dasarahalli Bangalore Bangalore-560079 Karnataka. **3.Deepak K** No 244 4th B Main Road 4th Block 4th Stage Basaveshwara nagar Bangalore Bangalore-560079 Karnataka	**Loan Account No. 3421921**	**Date of NPA: 03.12.2023 Demand Notice Date: 15.01.2024**	**Rs.11718497.89/-** (Rupees One Crore Seventeen Lakh Eighteen Thousand Four Hundred & Ninety Seven Paise Eighty Nine Only) as of **10.01.2024** and future contractual interest till actual realization together with incidental expenses, cost and charges etc.

Schedule of the Securities-I: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing BBMP khatha No.244, PID No. 21-116-244, Situated at Industrail Town, West of chord Road, Basaveshwaranagar, 4th Stage, 4th Block, Bangalore; Previously forming the eastern portion of property bearing site No.7, carved out of sy.No. 39 of Agrahara Dasarahalli, Magadi Road, Bangalore; measuring East to West : 41 feet and North to South : 31 feet and bounded on the : **North:** Road, **South:** Remaining portion of the property No.7. **East:** Property belonging to kempaputtaiah, **West:** Property bearing old site No.8 belonging to hanumathareddy

Date: 28-05-2024, Place: Bangalore — Sd/- Authorised Officer, HDB Financial Services Ltd.

STATE BANK OF INDIA

Retail Assets Central Processing Centre, HSR LAYOUT, (Code No.64065)
No.241, 19th Main, HSR Layout, 4th Sector, Bengaluru -560 102
Ph: 9972361099, Fax No:080-28411050, Email ID: maint.hsr@sbi.co.in

DEMAND NOTICE

A/c No.: HL 38133927294 — **Date: 13.05.2024**

Mr.Jagadish L.R. S/o Mr. Rangegowda, No.355, Rajankunte, Behind Suryodaya School, Rajankunte Post, Bangalore North - 560064. Also at: **1). Mr.Jagadish L.R.** S/o Mr. Rangegowda No.005, Ground Floor, Midhila Deluxe, Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore - 560064. 2). **Mr.Jagadish L.R.** S/o Mr. Rangegowda M/s. G.K. Enterprises, 19/2, Honnenahalli, Rajankunte Post, Yelahanka Hobli, Bangalore-560064.

NOTICE UNDER SECTION 13 (2) OF SECURITISATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT 2002 (HEREINAFTER CALLED 'ACT')

At your request, you have been granted by the **State Bank of India** through its **Personal Banking Branch, Indiranagar, Bengaluru** from time to time, various credit facilities by way of financial assistance against various assets creating security interest in favor of the bank under HL account **38133927294** in your name. The relevant particulars of the said credit facilities and the security agreements/documents executed by you are stated in Schedule "A" and Schedule "B" respectively excluding pledge of movables. You have availed the financial assistance with an undertaking for repayment of the said financial assistance in terms of the said agreements/documents. The loan account is now held at **State Bank of India, RACPC, HSR Layout, Bengaluru** and the undersigned is competent to issue the notice.

You have created mortgage over your immovable property by way of deposit of title deeds creating security interest in favour of the State Bank of India as security for the credit facilities sanctioned to you. The documents relating such mortgage are also stated in Schedule 'B'.

The relevant particulars of the secured assets are specifically stated in Schedule "C" Part- II.

You have also acknowledged subsistence of the liability in respect of the aforesaid credit facility sanctioned by executing confirmation of balances and revival letters and other documents from time to time.

The operation of and conduct of the above said financial assistance / credit facility have become irregular and the debt has been classified as non-performing asset on **27.04.2024** in accordance with the directives/guidelines relating to asset classifications issued by **Reserve Bank of India [RBI]** consequent to the default committed by you in repayment of principal debt and interest thereon.

Despite repeated requests, you have failed and neglected to repay the said dues / outstanding liabilities.

Therefore, the Bank hereby calls upon you under Section 13(2) of the said Act by issuing this notice to discharge in full your liabilities stated hereunder to the Bank within 60 days from the date of receipt of this notice. Your outstanding liabilities (in aggregate) due and owing to the Bank is to the tune of **Rs.79,13,327/- (Rupees Seventy-nine lakhs thirteen thousand three hundred and twenty-seven only)** as on **12.05.2024.** You are also liable to pay further interest at the contractual rate from 13.05.2.2024 on the aforesaid amount together with incidental expenses, cost, charges, etc.

If you fail to repay to the Bank the aforesaid sum of **Rs.79,13,327/- (Rupees Seventy-nine lakhs thirteen thousand three hundred and twenty-seven only)** with further interest and incidental expenses, costs as stated above in terms of this notice u/s 13(2) of the Act, the Bank will exercise all or any of the rights detailed under Sub Section (4) of Section 13 and under other applicable provisions of the said Act.

You are also put on notice that in terms of Sub Section 13 of Section 13, you shall not transfer by sale, lease, or otherwise the said secured assets detailed in Schedule "C" of this notice without obtaining written consent of the Bank.

Your kind attention is invited to provisions of sub-Section (8) of Section 13 of the SARFAESI Act where under you can tender the entire amount of outstanding dues together with all costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank only till the date of publication of the notice for sale of the secured asset(s) by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty. Please also note that if the entire amount of outstanding dues together with the costs, charges and expenses incurred by the Bank is not tendered before publication of notice for sale of the secured assets by public auction, by inviting quotations, tender from public or by private treaty, you may not be entitled to redeem the secured asset(s).

The credit facility was sanctioned to you by the Bank and this demand notice is being issued to you demanding the entire dues of the Bank. The undersigned is the Authorized Officer of the State Bank of India and is empowered to issue this notice and exercise powers under section 13 of the aforesaid Act.

This notice is without prejudice to the Bank's right to initiate such other actions or legal proceedings as it deems necessary under any other applicable Provisions of Law.

SCHEDULE "A"

Sl. No	Nature of Facility	Account Number	Balance Outstanding Rs.	Unapplied Interest. Rs.	Penal Interest Rs.	Outstanding as on 12.05.2024 (Inclusive of interest) (Rs)
1.	Home Loan	38133927294	73,89,032/-	5,24,295/-	–	79,13,327/-

SCHEDULE "B"

List of Documents (details of Security Documents including all supplementary documents and Documents evidencing creation of mortgage)

	Name of the Document	Nature of Security	Date of Execution	Amount Secured (Rs.)
1.	Arrangement Letter - Housing Finance	Terms and Conditions	18.12.2018	74,46,000/-
2.	Memorandum of Loan Agreement for Home Loan Granted to Public	Agreement	18.12.2018	74,46,000/-
3.	Arrangement to Mortgage	Agreement	18.12.2018	74,46,000/-
4.	Deed of undertaking	Undertaking	18.12.2018	74,46,000/-
5.	Memorandum of Deposit [MOD] Relating to Deposit of Title Deeds in Book No.I- 5543/18-19 dated 19.12.2018 at the office of Senior Sub Registrar, Gandhinagar, Bengaluru - 560 009.	Mortgage	19.12.2018	74,46,000/-

SCHEDULE "C"

Part -I:

[Please mention all the hypothecated properties. viz. Current Asserts including Stocks. Book Debts. Receivables. Consumable Stores & Spares and Hypothecated Movable Plant & Machinery. etc mentioned in the Documents (Scheduled B) **-NIL-**

Part -II

(Please state the particulars of the immovable properties mortgaged to the Bank as stated sr the documents having reference to the mortgage documents /deeds) (Schedule B)

SCHEDULE A PROPERTY :

All the piece and parcel of the property bearing numbers. **No.5,6,7,8,9,14,15,22,23,24,16, 17,18,19, 20, 21,25A, 26, 27 and 28 BBMP Katha Number 1324/866/5,** situated at Maruthi Nagar, Kogilu Village Road, Yelahanka, Bangalore North measuring East to West 183.5 + 165.3/2 feet and North to South 223 + 147/2 feet and bounded on the **East By :** Private Property Road, **West By :** Road, **North By:** Road and Maruthi Nagar Housing Board Layout. **South By:** Property belonging to Smt. Vijayamma.

SCHEDULE 'B' PROPERTY

438.2 square feet undivided right, title and interest in the Schedule 'A'.

SCHEDULE 'C' PROPERTY

A Two Bed Room Apartment bearing **No.005** situated on Ground Floor in Building known as **MIDHILA DELUXE** constructed on the Schedule-A property with a super built up area of **1,565 Sq.ft** having RCC Roofing, Vitrified Flooring, Main Door and shutter decorative molded, made of quality hard wood (both sides teak finish), Wood windows / Internal Flush Doors with Sal wood frames with proportionate share in common areas, lobbies, passages, lifts, staircase, etc., with electricity, water and sanitary connection with all appurtenances whatsoever, with Common use of approach to car park area and staircase and bounded on the: **East by :** Flat.No.006, **West by :** Road, **North by :** Common Area, **South by:** Passage Area.

Place: BENGALURU — **Sd/-**
Date: 13.05.2024 — **Authorised Officer & Chief Manager**

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Declaration about criminal antecedents of candidates set up by the party

(As per the judgment dated 25th September, 2018 of Hon'ble Supreme Court in WP (Civil) No. 536 of 2011 (Public Interest Foundation & Ors. Vs. Union of India & Anr.)

Name of Political Party : **BHARATIYA JANATA PARTY**
Name of Election : **BIENNIAL ELECTION TO THE KARNATAKA LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**
Name of State/ UT : **KARNATAKA**

1.	2.	3.	4.		5.	
Sl. No.	Name of candidate	Name of constituency	Pending criminal cases		Details about cases of conviction for criminal offences	
			Name of Court, Case No. & status of the case(s)	Sections of the Acts concerned & brief description of offence(s)	Name of Court & date (s) of order (s)	Description of offence (s) & punishment imposed
1	**Sri Amaranatha Patil**	North East Graduates	II Addl Dist. Session Judge, Kalaburagi Spcl C No. 418/2011 Closed Since the closer of the case culminating in acquittal, the same is challenged by the complainant before the Hon'ble High Court of Karnataka, Kalaburagi in Cr. Appeal No. 200079/2015 and the same is pending	U/ss. 143,147,323,333,353,342,504,506, 149 IPC and Sec. 3(1) (X) SC/ST (PA) 1989 Abusing the caste of the complainant is alleged	NA	NA
2	**Sri Dhananjay Sarji**	South West Graduates	Addl. Civil Judge & JMFC at Bhadravathi Cr. No. 171/22 Pending	18(a) (vi) R/w Rule 65(9) (a) of the Drugs and Cosmetics Act 1940, Punishable U/S 27 (d) Sale of drug in contravention of the provisions of the I Chapter R/w Rules	NA	NA
3	**Sri A. Devegowda**	Bangalore Graduates	III ACMM Bangalore C.C.No. 13525/2016 Pending	U/s 477, 420, 120B, 114 R/w 34 of IPC Alleging criminal Conspiracy and Cheating	NA	NA

(Lokesh Ambekallu)
State Office Secretary
Bharatiya Janata Party - Karnataka

EDITORIAL

"The times that we could rely on others without reservation are over. That means we Europeans have to take our destiny into our own hands if we want to survive as a community

Angela Merkel

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— Ramnath Goenka

PARTIES TO BLAME FOR UPTICK IN POLITICAL VIOLENCE IN ODISHA

THE bitter fight between the main opponents in Odisha's twin polls has seen blood spilling on the streets. Last Saturday, two incumbent MLAs were booked for multiple violent incidents in the state's Khordha and Angul districts. One of them, a BJP nominee, was held for alleged vandalism as well as manhandling polling officials in a booth. The arrest of a major national party's candidate during an election is a first for Odisha. The other case was of a BJD candidate accused of assaulting a BJP worker. The first major incidence of violence at these elections was reported in Ganjam immediately after the first phase of polling in the state on May 13, when BJP's Berhampur Lok Sabha candidate came under attack hours after voting concluded. Two days later, a BJP worker was hacked to death allegedly by BJD workers during a poster campaign in the same district. The subsequent phases of polling have seen an uptick in violence, including arson, clashes and bomb attacks. There have been reports of voters bearing the brunt for refusing to abide by the diktats of candidates in parts of the state.

It is necessary to scratch the surface to understand the fundamental reason behind this spate of violence: the muscle power political parties use to win elections. An analysis of the state's assembly candidates' backgrounds by the Association of Democratic Reforms revealed that the share of major political parties' nominees who have criminal cases lodged against them ranged from 17 percent to 68 percent. At least 58 percent of BJP candidates have serious charges against them, compared to 22 percent for the BJD and 30 percent for the Congress. The accused in the Berhampur attack is an independent candidate for an assembly seat who has 46 cases pending against him. All major parties have fielded candidates with similar backgrounds.

The BJD has been pointing fingers at the saffron party for fielding candidates charged with serious crimes, while the BJP continues to allege that the ongoing violence has patronage of the ruling party and the police administration. The fact remains that as long as political parties have no qualms about welcoming candidates with criminal antecedents into their folds, violence as a weapon to influence polls will continue unabated.

CHENNAI NEEDS MORE SHELTERS BEFORE RAINS

IT is mostly in conditions of extreme weather that members of the public and the state come to think of homeless persons. The bitter cold of Delhi winters has been the impetus for the Supreme Court to pull up state governments more than once for failing to provide adequate shelter to homeless populations. But winter is not the only dangerous month for the unhoused. A blistering heatwave has swept the country in recent months and yet, in ever-balmy Chennai, the shelter supports the city corporation should be equipped to offer have been undermined.

Chennai opened its first shelter in 1944. Although it falls short of the Supreme Court-mandated one shelter per one lakh population, it still has 50 shelters for a population of around 70 lakh—on paper at least. In reality, *TNIE* has reported that four shelters were closed in 2022 and this year the city corporation surrendered nearly ₹8 crore allocated for constructing new shelters, claiming non-availability of land. Meanwhile, newly built shelters were repurposed—*TNIE* found one functioning as a primary health centre—and NGOs running shelter programmes are struggling to make ends meet as the local body delays payments for months on end. The losers, amid this brutal heatwave, are the people the state's own revenue department categorised as 'high-risk' in such climatic conditions. The Greater Chennai Corporation has a storied history and is the richest and largest local body in Tamil Nadu. If it fails to fulfil its responsibilities to vulnerable populations, it will only set a trend for smaller local bodies to follow.

Homelessness is a complicated issue in India where destitute persons, employed but houseless persons, and entire families brave the elements in urban hubs without roofs over their heads. *In situ* housing near their workplaces has long been a demand that, if fulfilled, could resolve the problems and improve the prospects of a significant section of this population. For the destitute who are alone, unable to work or unwell, it is vital that the state ensures their protection, while respecting their agency, by making appropriate budgetary allocations as activists have been demanding. Meanwhile, the city corporation must revive closed shelters and reclaim newly constructed ones so that facilities are ready and available to serve this vulnerable population ahead of the monsoon.

QUICK TAKE

PREPARE BETTER FOR STORMS

CYCLONE Remal is leaving a devastating trail across the northeast. At least 31 deaths have been reported in storm-related incidents in Mizoram, Assam, Nagaland and Meghalaya. The biggest toll has been reported from Mizoram, where at least 17 people were killed when a stone quarry collapsed on migrants working at a rail bridge. A chunk of Tripura's power grid has been destroyed. We know by now that storms and flash floods are likely to increase in number and intensity. To leave populations so utterly vulnerable is criminally callous of all governments. We deserve more responsive warning and evacuation systems and better infrastructure to deal with nature's fury.

Macron wants to Make Europe Great Again, borrowing from Trumpian MAGA ideas and protectionist Bidenomics. The Euro polls may influence this process

A MEGA RESPONSE TO MAGA

P S RAGHAVAN

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MANOJ PARDIKAR

IN about a week, elections will determine the complexion of a new European parliament. They would show how the public evaluates policies of Europe's decision-makers on security, economic challenges, energy transition and migration. Polls project right and far-right parties may increase representation, perhaps even displacing the centre-left as the second largest grouping.

In April, France's President Emmanuel Macron laid out a characteristically frank analysis of Europe's challenges, declaring it would "die" if it did not wake up to current realities. Macron said Europe today encounters hostility from Russia, lack of interest from the US and competition from China. The US has only two priorities: America First and China. Europe is not a geopolitical priority. It has to find strategies to prevent marginalisation and relegation.

Macron's prescriptions include policies to accelerate self-reliance in raw materials, semiconductors, digital technologies and healthcare; and strategies to make Europe a world leader in artificial intelligence, quantum computing, space, biotechnologies and new energy by 2030. 'Food sovereignty' and energy transition policies with economic growth should be priorities.

The centrepiece of Macron's recipe is a strong European defence capacity, with a full spectrum of military capabilities. This needs a Europe-wide defence industrial strategy, consolidating specialisations of major players, a "European preference" for military acquisitions and addressing the mismatch of specifications and standards (which was shown up in the assistance extended to Ukraine). It envisages strategic cohesion between European armies and a rapid reaction force, creating an autonomous European capacity to pursue its own defence strategies "in the Mediterranean, Africa, the Indo-Pacific and the Arctic".

Europe also needs a clear understanding of its geography, to protect against ungoverned inflows of migrants and goods. It needs to protect its culture: "Europe's children are more and more exposed to American or Asian content." Achievement of these targets may need massive investment of a billion euros annually, but Macron says it is essential for Europe's resuscitation. It involves spurning Western economic orthodoxies of decades (on which they have been lecturing countries like India for decades). Macron's justification is Europe cannot afford to remain a nice guy, when the US and China are breaking all rules.

The objective is a Europe that is not a "vassal of the US", but a "power of balance" that can develop reciprocal partnerships with its own Arctic, Indo-Pacific, Latin America and Africa strategies, rejecting bipolar confrontation too many continents are accepting. It is a vision that can be described as Making Europe Great Again—borrowing from Trumpian MAGA ideas and protectionist Bidenomics. It has been dubbed grandiose, but it is consistent with his past warnings about Europe's lack of geopolitical vision. Seven years ago, he called for "greater unity, greater sovereignty, greater democracy" in Europe. Over the years, he has actively engaged in initiatives to strengthen European capacities.

There is a *deja vu* in this ambition for a strong Europe. Soon after the Cold War, Europe saw opportunities and a demographic dividend from its forthcoming expansion. In 2000, the EU launched the Lisbon agenda to transform it into "the most competitive and dynamic knowledge-based economy in the world". Underpinning the agenda was a security and defence policy, envisaging military integration and a force to promote European interests beyond boundaries.

Concerned about a potential decoupling of Europe from America, the US acted to assert the primacy of NATO in EU's defence policy, including a right of first refusal for military actions. The eastward expansion of NATO had its own corrective impact. The Iraq war of 2003 created East-West fissures in the continent and the eurozone crisis accentuated its North-South divisions. The Lisbon agenda of 2000 gave way to a less ambitious programme.

In recent years, European institutions have reiterated the importance of strategic autonomy for Europe. However, the interpretation of strategic autonomy varies in different nations. More importantly, among many in Europe—as among many strategic analysts in India—the term conjures up the spectre of anti-Americanism, which dictates caution in its use. A research paper of the European Council of Foreign Relations notes differing responses to US perspectives: UK, Sweden, Baltic and Central European countries consider US concerns an important determinant of the limits of strategic autonomy, while some western European countries believe that US concerns are driven by economic motives.

Two men have recently held up a mirror to Europe's strategic challenges—Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin. The former by his posture on transatlantic defence and economic relations; the latter by his military operations in Ukraine, which have shown up Europe's vulnerabilities. Prospects of an impending Trump administration and a protracted war in Ukraine have energised consultations on measures to protect its security and economic interests.

Of the elements in Macron's blueprint, defence coordination and integration have made the most progress. A UK-France declaration in March 2023 held out the prospect of the UK joining a European defence initiative. It was suggested their nuclear deterrents could provide security guarantees for Europe. These are nascent ideas, requiring acceptance and validation. Creating the capacities and force structures for a robust European deterrent would be a lengthy, but worthwhile, process. For the US, which is overstretched in its efforts to contain Russia and China, outsourcing European security to Europeans may not be as unwelcome as it was two decades ago. British participation may be a confidence builder, both across the Atlantic and the continent.

Leaders recognise the geopolitical need for a strong, autonomous Europe. But translating declarations into viable action plans needs visionary leadership, drawing in disparate political strands and creating a common minimum programme that meets acceptance across the continent.

Alliances were a Cold War construct, with inbuilt inflexibilities. Alliance partners now have a new diversity of political and socioeconomic options and compulsions. This is the reality Europe is encountering. The transatlantic link will remain important; the challenge is to find a balance between a tight embrace and decoupling.

The outcome of the Euro elections may influence this process. A Europe rooting for multipolarity can make a valuable contribution to an emerging world order, whenever that happens.

(Views are personal)

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CHALLENGE OF CREATING A SKILLED WORKFORCE

CHANDRAJIT BANERJEE

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INDIA stands tall today as the world's fastest-growing large economy. This has been accompanied by the creation of high-quality employment opportunities, reflected in the latest Periodic Labour Survey, where positive trends can be observed across many indicators. The worker-population ratio (WPR) for people aged 15 and above increased by almost 10 percentage points from 46.8 percent in 2017-18 to 56 percent in 2022-23. Similarly, the labour force participation rate (LFPR) significantly increased over the same five-year period from 49.8 percent to 57.9 percent. This was supported by a concomitant decline in the unemployment rate from 6 percent to 3.2 percent.

This employment landscape has undergone transformative changes over the years, with the emergence of dynamic sectors and entrepreneurial ventures. A host of government initiatives directed towards fostering gainful employment has created a conducive ecosystem fostering innovation, creativity and entrepreneurial talent.

At the same time, a strong impetus has been placed on developing a future-ready, inclusive and employable workforce with relevant and up-to-date skills, supported by various skill development programmes and affirmative action policies that will continue to shape India's future of work.

The central government has undertaken a range of impactful measures to create a vibrant and conducive jobs ecosystem in the country. Notable initiatives including Digital India, Skill India, Startup India, the Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, and Production Linked Incentive Schemes across India's strategic sectors are supporting India's aspirational youth and budding entrepreneurs through skilling, enhancing employability and boosting enterprise development. For example, the PLI scheme has created over 8 lakh new jobs.

The sustained level of government capex spending for physical, social and digital infrastructure, as reflected in consecutive budgets, has also created large scale employment. With over 33 percent increase in public capex for three preceding years, infrastructure construction has helped connect rural and urban India to create new employment and business opportunities.

A strong education sector is a critical enabler of human capital. The National Education Policy was introduced in 2020 to improve the quality of education, promote skill development and provide universal access to education. A host of digital education initiatives like DIKSHA, SWAYAM, PM e-vidya, etc., have been undertaken to facilitate multi-modal access to education.

The positive impacts of such initiatives are reflected in India's education-wise employment indicators that show several positive trends. As per PLFS data, WPR in the 15 and above cohort for secondary education and above has increased from around 43.2 percent in 2017-18 to 50.3percent in 2022-23. The ratio for the categories of graduates, postgraduates and above also exhibited significant improvement, going up by 6.1 percent and 4.1 percent respectively over the six-year period. The LFPRs for all categories also displayed similar patterns, reinforcing the positive impact that strong education policies have had on employment.

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As the employment landscape is witnessing a shift towards skill-based hiring, the importance of vocational training has great potential to boost employability by training workers in specific skill sets. Under the Skill India Mission, the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship is implementing an array of schemes through its extensive network of centres, colleges and institutes. Both short-term and long-term training programmes are training youth and preparing them for the workforce through various schemes, such as Pradhan Mantri Kaushal Vikas Yojana, Jan Shikshan Sansthan, National Apprenticeship Promotion Scheme-2, etc. As per CII Research's analysis of the annual PLFS data, the vocational training have also translated into higher jobs as a notable increase was seen in the proportion of workforce who received vocational training from 8.1 percent in 2017-18 to 27.4 percent in 2022-23.

According to PLFS estimates, the Female Labour Force Participation Rate also witnessed a significant increase from 23.3 percent in 2017-18 to 37 percent in 2022-23 (for the 15 and above cohort). This represents a sharp rise in working women, which will contribute greatly to further development. Education, skilling and credit enhancement programmes are further helping close the gender gap, particularly with a surge in the proportion of women in higher education and STEM areas. For accelerating the pace of job creation, CII has suggested an Employment Linked Incentive Scheme in sectors such as tourism, logistics, retail, film, animation and gaming. Greater focus on promoting labour intensive sectors such as textiles, leather and jewellery can also yield more employment.

Special attention needs to be accorded to equipping workers with skills in high-growth sectors, particularly in manufacturing, logistics, finance, healthcare and life sciences. With greater automation and Artificial Intelligence (AI), harnessing the potential of AI and related technologies with requisite skills must be top priorities.

India, with a young population with a median age of around 28 years, has immense potential to contribute significantly to global long term economic growth. It is being positioned as the largest provider of human resources in a world economy faced with the challenges of ageing populations. As India marches forward on the path of growth, propelled by innovation and its talented youth, the horizon of opportunity continues to expand, beckoning a bright and inclusive future for all.

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Enhancing capabilities

Ref: *The misdirected debate on population changes* (May 28). The article makes a very good point about religious demography and development. The argument that population growth is linked to an enhancement of women's capabilities, especially their education and income, is quite convincing.
V Janakiraman, Tiruvarur

Mamata's commitment

Ref: *Mamata to skip INDIA bloc meet on June 1 in Delhi* (May 28). The TMC leader has said she was bogged down with remedial measures post the Remal cyclone. Her commitment to the state's welfare rather than taking part in the meeting is highly commendable.
Rajamani Chelladurai, Tirunelveli

Dedicated leader

Hats off to Mamata Benerjee for not attending the INDIA bloc meeting as her priority is relief work in the state. It is rare to find such dedicated chief ministers. Let her tribe increase in our country.
Kavitha Srikanth, Chennai

Illegal setup

Ref: *Lost faith in state machinery: Guj HC* (May 28). The Gujarat High Court pointed out correctly that the administrative machinery woke up only after lives were lost. This applies not only to Gujarat, but other states too. It is unfortunate that the gaming arena in Rajkot was functioning without any permission for almost three years. It is disgraceful that many government officials participated in the inauguration of that illegal structure.
M Haneef, Kottayam

Reinvigorating Nadal

Ref: *Nadal exits in first round, isn't sure of future French Opens* (May 28). The exit of Rafael Nadal is shocking. But he is a gutsy warrior and cannot be expected to resign meekly. He has been haunted by injuries that kept him away from playing for months. He is only 38, with a lot of play left in him. His faith about his own skill plus the fan support will reinvigorate him and make him play-fit soon.
Manoharan Muthuswamy, Ramanathapuram

Record performance

Catching them young is true for sports in general and weightlifting in particular. Fifteen-year-old Indian weightlifter Preetismita Bhoi shattered the youth clean jerk world record in the women's 40-kg category, securing a gold medal at the IWF World Youth Championships. The achievement is phenomenal. The teenager bettered the previous record by 1 kg.
Krishnan Ramani, Kozhikode

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POSTS OF THE DAY

Amit Shah @AmitShah
Naveen Babu is the only person responsible for the poverty of the people of Odisha, a state of abundant mineral wealth.

Rahul Gandhi @RahulGandhi
...Government jobs are being eliminated by using blind privatisation as a weapon, which is a way to end reservation through the backdoor.

Aaditya Thackeray @AUThackeray
Had MVA govt continued, the Mumbai Coastal Road would have been fully open by December 2023. But ... the corrupt regime deliberately slowed down the work and increased cost.

■ Modi says tribal population declining due to infiltration & slams Didi for 'betraying' the trust of OBCs ■ Cong, SP promise safety and security to farmers, women

Will initiate action against the corrupt after June 4: PM

Mamata Banerjee has betrayed the trust of OBCs. The court has exposed TMC's treachery... She has questioned the judges. Will goons be sent after the judges now?

Narendra Modi, Prime Minister

MUKESH RANJAN & SULAGNA SENGUPTA @ Ranchi/Kolkata

PRIME Minister Narendra Modi, campaigning in Jharkhand's Dumka on Tuesday, said at a rally that action against the corrupt will increase after June 4, the day Lok Sabha results are declared.

At another rally in West Bengal's Ashoknagar, North 24 Pargana, the PM hit out at Trinamool chief and Bengal Chief Minister Mamata Banerjee for "betraying" the trust of the OBCs. "The Calcutta High Court has declared that it was unconstitutional to give OBC certificates to 77 Muslim communities. The TMC government has snatched the rights of lakhs of OBC youths, going against what Ambedkar had stood for," he said.

In Jharkhand's Dumka, the PM said the Congress and JMM wanted him removed from power to continue with scams.

The voting is due in Dumka along with Godda and Rajmahal in Santhal Pargana on June 1. "Leaders of INDIA bloc must hear it loud and clear: the more they try to malign the image of Modi, the more lotuses will bloom with people's efforts," said Modi, adding, "Try to recall how Naxalism kept growing under the Congress rule. Those who are most affected by the Naxalism are tribal families."

Prime Minister Narendra Modi addresses an election campaign in Dumka district of Jharkhand on Tuesday | PTI

Jharkhand, the PM said, was facing another threat: infiltration. "Santhal Pargana is the worst affected by it as the population of tribals is decreasing rapidly while the population of infiltrators is increasing. Life of tribal girls are being targeted by infiltrators...they are being burnt alive," said the PM.

At the Bengal rally later, the PM said after the Calcutta HC order whatever the CM said surprised him. "I was surprised to see the kind of statements she made. The court exposed the treachery of Trinamool Congress. She questioned some of the judges. Will goons be sent after the judges now?" the PM said.

The Prime Minister also criticised Mamata for saying that she would support INDIA bloc parties in Delhi. "If you give one vote to the CPM, then it would go to the TMC," he said.

The Calcutta High Court had last week struck down the OBC status of several classes in West Bengal granted since 2010, finding such reservations to vacancies in services and posts in the state illegal.

Tribals under attack

At a rally in Dumka, the PM sought to caution the people against attempts being made by infiltrators to occupy land of the tribals, saying Santhal Pargana is the latest victim of such attempts. "Their (tribals') population is decreasing rapidly," he said.

Rahul, Akhilesh see rich and poor divide in Varanasi fight

The election in Varanasi isn't a battle between a PM candidate and our candidate Ajay Rai. It's a battle between the poor and the billionaires

Rahul Gandhi, Congress leader

ANURAAG SINGH @ Varanasi

THREE days after Congress leader Priyanka Gandhi Vadra and Samajwadi Party MP Dimple Yadav held a joint roadshow of the INDIA bloc in Varanasi, the two poster-boys of the Opposition's alliance – Rahul Gandhi and Akhilesh Yadav – held a joint rally in PM Narendra Modi's parliamentary constituency on Tuesday.

Seeking support for Ajay Rai (Varanasi) and Virendra Singh (Chandauli), the former Congress president Rahul Gandhi said June 1 Varanasi battle was being hyped to be a contest to elect the country's PM.

"Let me tell you that the election in Varanasi isn't a battle to elect the country's PM, as PM Narendra Modi isn't going to become the PM again on June 4. I guarantee you, he (Narendra Modi) isn't going to become PM again, so it's not a battle between a PM candidate and our candidate Ajay Rai. It's not a battle between a PM candidate and our candidate. It's a battle between the poor and the billionaires. It's a contest between Modi and Rai only, which is going to be fierce and Rai may win it by a big margin," Gandhi said at the rally in Sewapuri assembly segment of Varanasi LS constituency.

Congress leader Rahul Gandhi and Samajwadi Party chief Akhilesh Yadav during a public meeting in Bansgaon of Uttar Pradesh on Tuesday | PTI

Ridiculing the media interviews being given by PM Modi, Gandhi referred to PM Modi's recent statement about being sent by Parmatma (God). "He (Modi) says he's not biologically born like others, but has been sent by Parmatma (God) on a mission. Had Parmatma (God) sent him, then God would've taken care of the poor and the weak, not the billionaires and industrialists like Ambani and Adani."

Addressing the same rally in Varanasi, Yadav mocked the PM's vision of turning Kashi to Kyoto. While accusing the PM of misleading and betraying the people by raising false Kashi to Kyoto hopes, Yadav said "the Pradhan Sansad (PM Modi) had promised to clean Maa Ganga (river Ganga). Forget about the river Ganga getting cleaned, the entire budget spent for cleaning Ganga actually got cleaned."

Raising the issue of October 2023 gang-rape of a woman student allegedly by BJP workers on the BHU campus in Varanasi, he said, "We promise full justice and safety to farmers, girls and women in Varanasi after coming to power on June 4."

Credit claiming

Making light of tall claims of development by the PM and BJP in Varanasi, Akhilesh Yadav said most of such initiatives in the city, spanning from establishing Amul, the largest milk processing plant, to starting a hot cooked meal kitchen for kids, were actually the brainchild of the past SP regime in UP.

Nawaz Sharif blames Pak for violating Lahore pact signed with India in 1999

YESHI SELI @ New Delhi

FORMER Pakistan Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif on Tuesday blamed his country for violating the Lahore agreement signed between the then Indian Prime Minister Atal Bihari Vajpayee and Pakistan President Parvez Musharraf in 1999.

In an apparent reference to the Kargil misadventure, Sharif — who was sworn in as the PML-N president on Tuesday — reminded the audience that had gathered around him that Pakistan shouldn't forget that PM Vajpayee visited Lahore and that Pakistan violated the agreement that was signed on February 21, 1999.

"On May 28, 1998, Pakistan carried out five nuclear tests. After that Vajpayee Saheb came here and made an agreement with us. But we violated that agreement...it was our fault," Sharif said. Sharif was elected as PML-N president six years after being disqualified by the Supreme Court.

The Lahore agreement that talked about a vision of peace and stability between the two countries signalled a major breakthrough, but a few months later, Pakistani intrusion in the Kargil district in Jammu and Kashmir led to the Kargil War, he said.

"President Bill Clinton had offered Pakistan $ 5 billion to stop it from carrying out nuclear tests but I refused. Had (former prime minister) Imran Khan like a person been on my seat he would have accepted Clinton's offer," Sharif added.

The 74-year-old leader recalled how he was removed from the prime minister's office in 2017 on a false case by then chief justice of Pakistan Saqib Nisar. He said that while the cases filed against him were false, those against Pakistan Tehreek-e-Insaf (PTI) founder leader Imran Khan were true.

He said former ISI chief Gen Zahirul Islam was instrumental in bringing down his government in 2017 to bring Imran Khan into power.

"I ask Imran not to blame us (of being patronised by the Army) and tell whether Gen Islam had talked about bringing the PTI into power," he said.

No need for a written national security policy: CDS Chauhan

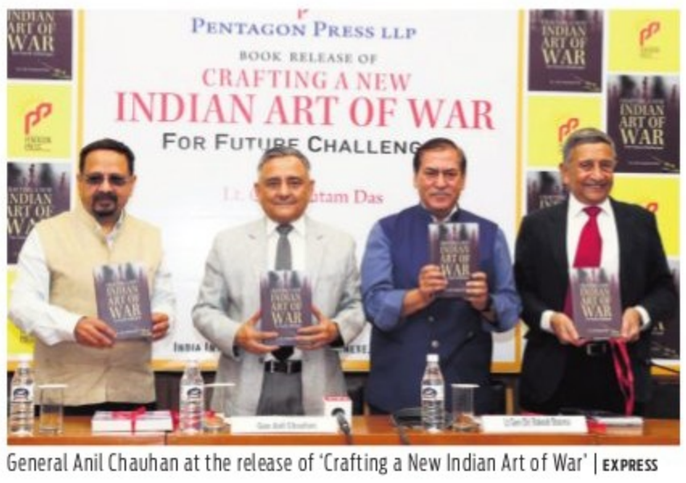
MAYANK SINGH @ New Delhi

THE country's top military officer, General (Gen) Anil Chauhan, Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), has said that the absence of a written National Strategic Policy (NSP) does not imply that the country lacks such a policy.

The CDS highlighted that constituents of the NSP continue to exist and contested the insistence on having an NSP in a written format. He was speaking on Monday at the book release of 'Crafting a New Indian Art of War'.

"When we talk about the national security strategy, I believe it consists of policy, processes, and practices to succeed. In our country, probably all three are addressed. The only thing missing is a written policy. I don't know why people insist on that," said Gen Chauhan.

Citing the past instances, Gen Chauhan said that "if we didn't have a policy, we wouldn't have succeeded as we did in revoking Article 370 from Jammu and Kashmir." "People were saying there would be a bloodbath in case of a revocation. But nothing like that happened," he emphasized.



General Anil Chauhan at the release of 'Crafting a New Indian Art of War' | EXPRESS

The top military commander also highlighted the successful combating of Covid-19 in a country of 1.4 billion people. "If there was no strategy behind it, how did we achieve our goal? Even the Balakot airstrike and the Uri airstrike — if there was no strategy -- how did we do it? So there is a strategy, but what is missing is probably a written document. And a written document actually doesn't count," the General said.

The CDS incorporated the example of Israel which, he said, doesn't have a written policy, but they do have a national security policy. In a significant step to revamp the defence planning institutional mechanism, the government established Defence Planning Committee (DPC) under the chairmanship of the National Security Adviser (NSA) on April 18, 2018. It was to facilitate integrated planning at the apex level and its focused execution to promote defence diplomacy and indigenisation of the defence sector.

NHRC issues notice to C'garh govt on baby girl's death in police crossfire

SUCHITRA KALYAN MOHANTY @ New Delhi

THE National Human Rights Commission (NHRC) has issued a show-cause notice to the Government of Chhattisgarh, invoking the Protection of Human Rights Act, 1993. The NHRC has questioned why the commission should not recommend a compensation payment of ₹1 lakh to the family of a six-month-old baby girl who died in an alleged police crossfire.

This notice follows a petition filed by Radhakanta Tripathy, a prominent human rights activist and Supreme Court lawyer. Tripathy said that during a police crossfire with Maoists in the forests of Bijapur district in Bastar, South Chhattisgarh, a six-month-old girl died and her mother, Masse Vadde, was injured.

The firing began unexpectedly, Tripathy said. Vadde, carrying her daughter, attempted to flee for safety but was struck by a bullet. Tripathy highlighted the plight of common people living in conflict zones, often caught between security forces and Maoists due to government inaction.

He called for a high-level, impartial investigation into the incident and a permanent resolution to the ongoing conflict. He also demanded substantial compensation for the victims and access to medical care and social welfare benefits provided by the state or Central government.

On January 24, 2024, the NHRC took cognisance of the issue and directed its registry to forward the complaint to the district magistrate of Bijapur. The commission also asked the superintendent of police in Bijapur to take action, associate with the complainant, and submit an Action Taken Report in six weeks.

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Chronic pains go untreated for millions of women globally, finds Lancet study

KAVITA BAJELI-DATT @ New Delhi

WOMEN have a greater burden of painful conditions, including low back pain, headache disorders and other musculoskeletal disorders compared with men. Despite this, millions of women globally find that their chronic pain remains untreated, says an article published in The Lancet.

The article highlights the long history of medical gaslighting of women's pain.

Medical gaslighting occurs when a patient feels that their symptoms are inappropriately dismissed as minor or primarily psychological by a healthcare professional. This can have detrimental effects, including increased morbidity and mortality, symptom distress, and worsening mental health.

"Women are being left behind not only in pain research but also in pain management," the report states.

Evidence supports this notion, with women more likely to be referred to psychiatrists and psychologists, whereas men are more likely to undergo investigations for an underlying biological cause.

Every day, millions of women globally experience chronic pain, but remain untreated.

In addition to a higher prevalence of rheumatic and musculoskeletal diseases, women are more sensitive to pain and more likely to develop chronic pain.

Quoting the report 'Global Burden of Disease 2021', the article notes that women have a greater burden of painful conditions, including lower back pain, headache disorders, and other musculoskeletal disorders, compared with men.

"A huge knowledge gap remains about the psychological and social aspects that contribute to a patient's pain experience," the report adds.

It further states that women are thought to be more likely to seek medical help earlier for pain, though evidence behind this assumption is not conclusive. When women seek help, they are less likely to get treatment or have to wait long for it.

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IN THE COURT

Dera Sacha Sauda chief acquitted in murder case

HARPREET BAJWA @ Chandigarh

THE Punjab and Haryana High Court on Tuesday acquitted Dera Sacha Sauda chief Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh in a case related to the murder of his former manager Ranjit Singh.

A division bench comprising Justices Sureshwar Thakur and Lalit Batra passed the order allowing his appeal against the conviction.

"The High Court has acquitted him and four others in the Ranjit Singh murder case. It is a big relief. Gurmeet Ram Rahim Singh always had faith in the court. We welcome the High Court's orders," said his advocate Jatinder Khurrana.

The Dera chief had moved the High Court after a special CBI court in Panchkula had, in October 2021, awarded life sentence to him and four others after convicting them for the murder in 2002. The court had also slapped a fine of ₹31 lakh on Ram Rahim.

Ranjit Singh, who was also a follower of the sect, was shot dead by four assailants on July 10, 2002, in his native Khanpur Kolian village in Kurukshetra, reportedly for his role in the circulation of an anonymous letter, which narrated how women were being sexually exploited by the sect head at the Dera headquarters.

Ram Rahim, who is also serving a 20-year jail term for raping two of his disciples, is currently lodged at Sunaria jail in Haryana's Rohtak.

Special CBI court had awarded life sentence

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Porsche crash: Minor's father in police custody

People are losing faith in the system due to interference of ruling party's leaders. For an impartial probe, this case should be handed over to the CBI

Nana Patole, Maharashtra Congress chief

SUDHIR SURYAWANSHI @ Mumbai

A PUNE court on Tuesday remanded the father of the juvenile, who was allegedly involved in the Porsche car crash, in police custody till May 31. He was remanded in a case related to the alleged kidnapping and wrongful confinement of the family driver.

The court also extended the police custody of the juvenile's grandfather till May 31. Both the accused have been booked under IPC Sections 365 (kidnapping) and 368 (wrongfully concealing or keeping in confinement).

Meanwhile, the Maharashtra government has set up a three-member committee to probe medical report manipulation in the case. The panel comprises Grant Medical College dean Dr Pallavi Sapale as chairperson, along with Dr Gajanan Chavan and Dr Sudhir Chowdhary.

The political parties have also demanded that the case be handed over to the CBI. Maharashtra Congress president Nana Patole on Tuesday demanded taking the from Pune crime branch to hand over to the CBI for fair and impartial investigation.

Patole said that in the primary probe, it was revealed how the local police, doctors and other government establishments managed to save the minor in the case.

Panel formed

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INDIA	Max	Min		Max	Min
Ahmedabad	42	28	Mumbai	33	29
Bhopal	42	28	Panaji	32	27
Jaipur	46	32	Patna	42	31
Amritsar	47	28	Lucknow	44	31
Chennai	38	31	Port Blair	31	27
Kolkata	35	30	Imphal	28	22
Srinagar	29	16	Chandigarh	45	30

BJP's Ravi Kishan relies on development, SP's Nishad pins hopes on non-Yadav, Muslim votes in Gorakhpur, nerve-centre of eastern UP

BJP's Yogi card faces SP caste arithmetic in UP

NAMITA BAJPAI @Gorakhpur

THE high-profile Gorakhpur Lok Sabha constituency is known for the Gorakshnath Peeth, Geeta Press and terracotta sculptures. It has also seen literary giants like Munshi Premchand and Firaq Gorakhpuri, on one side, and the revolutionary poetry of Ram Prasad Bismil, on the other. The constituency will vote in the seventh and final phase of the polls on June 1. Known as the nerve centre, the axis of eastern UP politics, its influence can be felt in over half-a-dozen seats of the division.

Once infamous for 'mafia' and 'mosquitoes' (the root cause of Japanese encephalitis), Gorakhpur had earned the sobriquet of 'Chicago of East' when the battle of supremacy between two gangsters — Hari Shanker Tiwari and Virendra Pratap Shahi, and their aides led to about 50 murders. The late 90s even witnessed the meteoric rise of gangsters like Sriprakash Shukla whose reign of terror spanned UP and Bihar.

However, over the past few years, Gorakhpur has witnessed a massive dip in crime graph with fiefdoms of mafia lying dissipated. Moreover, the menace of Japanese encephalitis (JE) devouring hundreds annually, has substantially decreased. The constituency is locked in a direct fight between BJP's MP and actor Ravi Kishan and Samajwadi Party candidate and Bhojpuri actress Kajal Nishad as BSP's Javed Simnani is seen making a marginal difference.

A BJP bastion, the Gorakhpur Lok Sabha constituency was represented by the 'mahants' of Gorakshnath Peeth since 1989 till 2014-17. From 1989 to 1996, Mahant Awaidyanath was Gorakhpur MP followed by Yogi Adityanath, who had been a five-time Gorakhpur MP from 1998 to 2017—when he became the CM.

Significantly, the BJP was retaining the constituency for over four decades except for a short duration when Yogi vacated the seat and the BJP lost it to BSP-backed SP candidate in 2018. However, in the 2019 general election, BJP's Ravi Kishan won it back with a margin of over 3 lakh securing over 60% vote share against SP's Ram Bhual Nishad, who, as SP-BSP combine candidate, got 35% votes.

Ravi Kishan claims that he is a proxy of Yogi Adityanath. He is relying on Yogi Adityanath and the influence of Gorakshnath Peeth, besides tangible development and the chunk of beneficiaries.

On the other hand, the SP has been fielding a Nishad community candidate for the last couple of elections as the constituency has a substantial number of the community population. The party is again depending on caste equations.

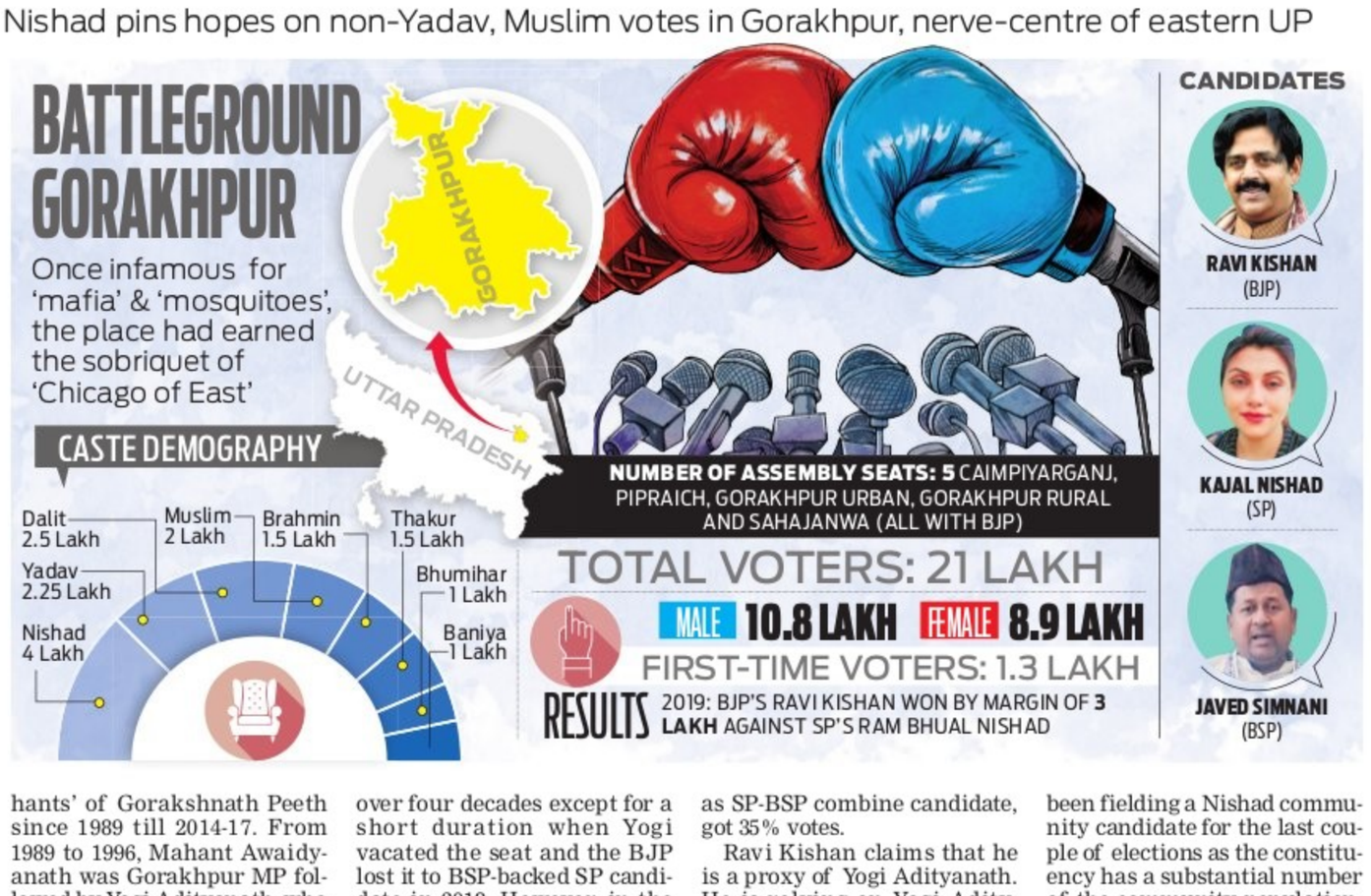
"The SP is banking upon not only the Muslim and Yadav vote bank but also expects support from non-Yadav OBCs as well for they are in a good number in the constituency," says AP Srivastava, chief of Firaq Academy in Gorakhpur.

In Gorakhpur, OBC voters are the highest, around 9 lakh. Among OBCs, the Nishads comprise a major chunk of population followed by Yadavs and Dalits. The upper castes, comprising Brahmin, Thakur, Bhumihar and Vaishya (Baniya) constitute around 6 lakh of the total population.

Rishi Kumar Nishad, a marginal farmer, feels that Gorakhpur needs a change this time. "We want to bring an MP of our caste. If BJP wins then it will be due to Maharaj ji (CM Yogi's) charisma. However, Nishad and Yadav voters are likely to support the SP candidate," he says.

However, Vishnu Kumar a shopkeeper in Gorakhpur's Ghantaghar area says development is the major issue. "Roads, lights, fertilizer factory, AIIMS, sugar mill, major relief from JE through regular cleanliness drives, regular fogging, beautification of Ramgarh Tal, relief from traffic snarls besides the benefits of the welfare schemes will decide the election," he says.

While some raise unemployment and price rise issues, others put the boom in hospitality industry as a major job creator changing lives.


BATTLEGROUND GORAKHPUR
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Thakur 1.5 Lakh
Yadav 2.25 Lakh
Bhumihar 1 Lakh
Nishad 4 Lakh
Baniya 1 Lakh
NUMBER OF ASSEMBLY SEATS: 5 CAIMPIYARGANJ, PIPRAICH, GORAKHPUR URBAN, GORAKHPUR RURAL AND SAHAJANWA (ALL WITH BJP)
TOTAL VOTERS: 21 LAKH
MALE 10.8 LAKH FEMALE 8.9 LAKH
FIRST-TIME VOTERS: 1.3 LAKH
RESULTS 2019: BJP'S RAVI KISHAN WON BY MARGIN OF 3 LAKH AGAINST SP'S RAM BHUAL NISHAD
CANDIDATES
RAVI KISHAN (BJP)
KAJAL NISHAD (SP)
JAVED SIMNANI (BSP)

'Gen Z' of J&K politics sweat it out to hold family flags high

Mufti's daughter leads

The PDP chief and former J&K CM Mehbooba Mufti's daughter Iltija Mufti actively campaigned in favour of her mother. Iltija, who is the media advisor of her mother, travelled extensively to both Kashmir and Jammu regions campaigning for her mother.

Er Rashid's sons back him

The jailed ex-MLA Er Sheikh Abdur Rashid's two sons Abrar Rashid and Asrar Rashid also joined the poll fray in absence of their father. They travelled extensively to seek votes from people for their jailed father

FAYAZ WANI @ Srinagar

THE Lok Sabha polls in Jammu and Kashmir saw children of political leaders actively campaign in both Kashmir and Jammu regions to garner public support and votes for their family members and respective parties to ensure their win in the first major electoral exercise in J&K post Article 370 abrogation.

The PDP chief and former J&K Chief Minister Mehbooba Mufti's daughter Iltija Mufti actively campaigned in favour of her mother. Iltija, who is the media advisor of her mother, travelled extensively to both Kashmir and Jammu regions in favour of her mother. She took part in election rallies and corner meetings and even talked in local dialect in Poonch and Rajouri districts, which have a sizeable population of Gujjars and Bakerwals and Paharis, to reach out the local population and seek their votes.

Former J&K CM and NC vice president Omar Abdullah's sons Zahir and Zamir also campaigned for their father. Zahir and Zamir, who are lawyers, participated in the poll rallies of Omar, who contested from Baramulla LS seat.

Both Zahir and Zamir also attended the election campaign meetings of NC with their father in all three parliamentary seats in the Valley. The jailed ex-MLA Er Sheikh Abdur Rashid's two sons Abrar Rashid and Asrar Rashid also joined the poll fray in absence of their father.

Rashid's sons travelled extensively in all four districts of Baramulla LS seat to seek votes from people for their jailed father. DPAP chief Ghulam Nabi Azad's son Saddam Azad also campaigned for the party's Srinagar candidate in central Kashmir. He travelled to Ganderbal district and canvassed for the party candidate.

EC: 3% more women voted than men in phase VI

MUKESH RANJAN @ New Delhi

THE Election Commission of India on Tuesday released the total voter turnout of 63.37% in the sixth phase of Lok Sabha polls in 58 seats in eight states and Union Territories (UTs).

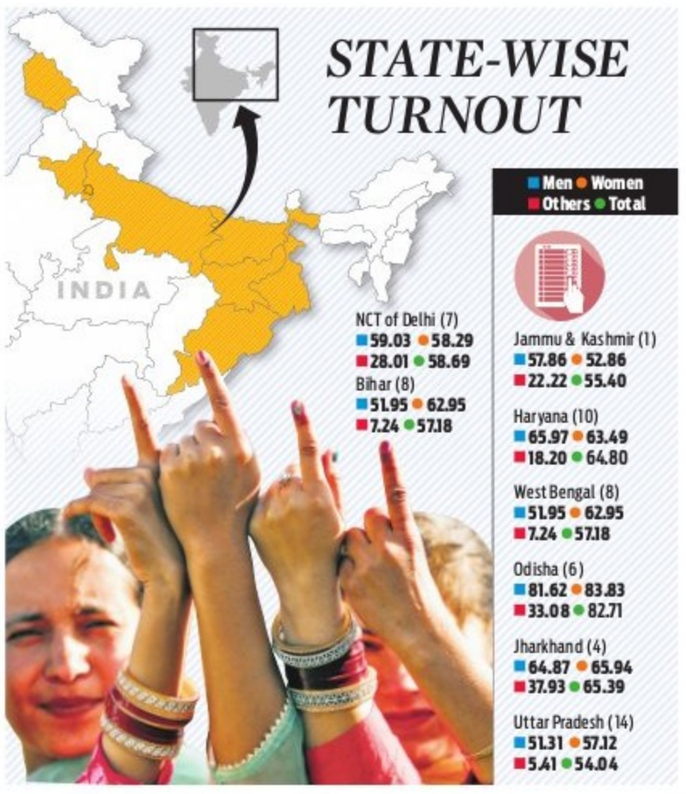
The states where the polling took place on May 25 included Bihar (8), Haryana (10), Jammu & Kashmir (1), Jharkhand (4), NCT of Delhi (7), Odisha (6), Uttar Pradesh (14) and West Bengal (8). According to the data released by the poll panel, men voters' turnout was 61.95%, while 64.95 percent women voters cast their votes. The third gender turnout stood at 18.67%.

As per the statewide voter turnout, West Bengal reported the highest voter turnout of 82.71%. The voter turnout in 14 constituencies across Uttar Pradesh stood at 54.04%.

Delhi recorded a voter turnout of 58.69%, while Haryana recorded a 64.80% polling. Odisha and Jharkhand recorded a voter turnout of 74.45% and 65.39% respectively.

In the absolute numbers in the sixth phase out of 11,13,16,60 voters, 7,05,44,933 exercised their franchise, the ECI said in a statement.

Significantly, in the sixth phase more women voted than men: in Bihar 62.95% women voted against 51.95% men.



Similarly in Uttar Pradesh 57.12% women participated in the electoral exercise against 51.31% and in West Bengal also 83.83% women came out to vote against 81.62% men.

Of the 87.54 crore electors in the first six phases of the Lok Sabha polls, as many as 57.77 crore voters turned up at the polling stations to cast their votes.

"Form 17C is also provided for every polling station in a constituency to candidates through their polling agents. Actual data of Form 17C shall prevail, which is already shared with candidates on the day of poll itself. Final turnout will only be available post-counting with counting of postal ballots and its addition to total vote count," the ECI noted in its statement.

India has the largest electorate in the world at 96.88 crore. The citizens, who are enrolled in the rolls, are described as electors while those who actually cast their votes are called voters. In the 2019 general elections, the turnout in the sixth phase (59 seats in seven states that went to the polls) was 64.4%. According to the Election Commission, the voter turnout in the fifth phase of the ongoing polls held on May 20 was recorded at 62.2%.

The turnout in the fourth phase stood at 69.16%, 3.65 percentage points higher than the corresponding phase in the 2019 general elections. The voter turnout figure for the third phase of polling was 65.68%. In the third phase of the 2019 polls, the turnout was 68.4%.

In the second phase of the 2024 elections, the turnout was recorded at 66.71% as against the 69.64% in the second phase of the 2019 polls.

In the first phase of the ongoing polls, a 66.14% turnout was recorded. In the 2019 polls, the turnout in the first phase was 69.43%.

The final phase of the polls will be held on June 1 where 57 seats in eight states will go for vote.

'Warring an outsider, Ludhiana & Punjab development is key'

FACE OFF

THREE-time MP and BJP candidate from Ludhiana **Ravneet Singh Bittu** said the Congress lacks vision and it is a "family party" of the Gandhis. The former Congress leader tells **Harpreet Bajwa** that he has switched sides because he wants development for Ludhiana and Punjab. **Excerpts:**

You have been a Congress MP for three terms, once from Anandpur Sahib and twice from Ludhiana. Your family has been Congress supporters. Why did you join the BJP?
I joined the BJP solely for the development of Punjab. The Congress is totally finished, it has no agenda. Now it is the party of Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi. It is a family party with a lot of power centres and groups. They will never come to power, so how will they serve the people? The party is completely directionless, has no vision or discipline. The height of Congress hypocrisy is that it has tied up with the AAP for Delhi elections and contesting against Arvind Kejriwal's party in Punjab. When my grandfather Beant Singh was in the Congress, the party had a vision. Those were different times.

What are the issues concerning Punjab?
There are so many issues. Drugs, unemployment, farmers' issues, gangsters - the list is endless.

How will Ludhiana benefit if you are elected again?
The biggest issue is traffic congestion. It is a city of 50 lakh people, so we need metro, an AIIMS, ESI hospitals, convention and exhibition centres, and textile parks. We need cycle parks, since we are the largest cycle manufacturers in the country. We are also the largest manufacturers of woolen garments as we have the biggest hosiery industry. If I win, I will ensure the all-round development of Ludhiana in a year.

Farmers are protesting against BJP candidates across the state...
The farmers are already getting MSP for their crops. The Opposition parties are playing dirty politics and instigating the farmers. The Prime Minister will sort this out.

All Congress leaders are campaigning for Amrinder Singh Raja Warring, fielded against you...
The Congress candidate is an outsider, the ticket should have been given to a local. Warring is not a competitor at all. Had it been a local, then he could have thought to be my competitor. Please ask Warring where he votes. If he votes in Ludhiana, people should vote for him. If he votes in Muktsar or Giddarbaha, he should contest there. No Congress leader is strong enough to fight elections. You check Bajwa's programmes, he did not campaign in Ludhiana.

> **The BJP is contesting alone from Ludhiana for the first time. Moreover, Warring and Bajwa have betrayed Congress leaders for self-interests. Many Congress leaders applied for ticket.**
>
> Ravneet Singh Bittu

> **Right from day one, we knew that an alliance with AAP in Punjab was not possible. AAP has arrested and poached several of our leaders and tried to finish us.**
>
> Amarinder Singh Raja Warring, Punjab Congress president

'If I am outsider in Ludhiana, then PM & Smriti are as well'

PUNJAB Congress president **Amarinder Singh Raja Warring**, a party candidate from the Ludhiana Lok Sabha seat, dismisses claims of a Modi wave in the state. In conversation with **Harpreet Bajwa**, he refutes the "outsider" label, arguing that if he is an outsider to Ludhiana, so are PM Modi and Smriti Irani. **Excerpts:**

In a four-cornered contest involving Congress, BJP, AAP and SAD, how do you rate Congress's chances?
The people have seen the BJP-led Central government and AAP ruling the state. Also, with anti-incumbency setting in against BJP and AAP, the people see Congress as an alternative. As far as Shiromani Akali Dal (SAD) is concerned, it is out of the game.

How many seats would the Congress win?
I do not have the numbers, but I am sure of winning the maximum seats and getting the largest vote share.

APP & Congress are part of the INDIA bloc but are contesting against each other in Punjab...
Right from day one, we knew that an alliance with AAP in Punjab was impossible. The AAP government has arrested and poached several of our leaders and tried to finish us (Congress).

On what issues is the Congress fighting polls in Punjab?
Drugs, unemployment, deteriorating law and order situation, and misuse of funds from the state government are the major issues our party is focusing on.

As Ludhiana is a Congress bastion. Will you be able to continue the winning streak?
There is not even an iota of doubt on that.

How do you rate the performance of AAP since it formed the government in Punjab
On a scale of 1 to 10, ten being the highest, I will rate AAP as a minus. They have failed in every field.

Your opponents tag you as an 'outsider'...
If I am an outsider to Ludhiana, so is PM Modi as he belongs to Gujarat but fights from Varanasi. For that matter even Smriti Irani is an outsider, and so is Bittu. Capt Amarinder Singh and Arun Jaitely too figure in that list.

Brothers and former MLAs Simarjeet Singh Bains and Balwinder Bains joined the Congress and merged their Lok Insaaf Party (LIP). Will their joining help the party?
The joining of the Bains brothers will certainly help the party. There is no more resentment regarding their inclusion, and everything stands sorted.

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POSSESSION NOTICE [For Immovable Property]

Whereas, The undersigned being the Authorised Officer of the **Karnataka Gramin Bank, Ramanagara Branch**, under the Securitisation And Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 (Act 54 of 2002), and in exercise of the powers conferred under Section 13 (12) read with Rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice dated: **01.02.2024** calling upon the Borrower/Co-Obligant/Mortgagor: **(1) Sri. Umesha** S/o Chinnagiri, **(2) Sri. C. Prasanna Kumar** S/o Chinnagiri, **(3) Sri. Chinnagiri** S/o Late Bajjaiah , **(4) Smt. Siddamma** W/o Chinnagiri, **(5) Sri. Pavitra** D/o Chinnagiri, **(6) Sri. Chitra C** D/o Chinnagiri, All are residing at Jayapura Village , Bilagumba Panchayath, Ramanagara Taluk and district. **Guarantor: Sri . Laxman T A** S/o Anjanappa ,R/o: No.138, Ambedkar Street, Tavarekere Post, Bangalore South - 560029, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice, being **Rs. 3,79,126.56** (Rupees Three lakhs seventy nine thousand one hundred twenty six and paisa fifty six only) within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The borrower having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the borrower and the public in general, that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him / her under sub-section (4) of section 13 of the said Act read with Rule 8 of the Security interest Enforcement Rules, 2002 on this **23rd day of May of the year2024.**

The borrower's attention is invited to provisions of sub-section (8) of section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

The borrower in particular and the public in general are hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of the **Karnataka Gramin Bank, Ramangara Branch** for an amount of **Rs. 3,96,751.38** (Rupees Three lakhs ninty six thousand seven hundred fifty one and paisa thirty eight only)as on **12.05.2024** and interest thereon.

DESCRIPTION OF THE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

All that part and parcel of the immovable property bearing House Property Katha No.248/72, Measuring East-West-30ft, North-South-40 ft, Total: 1200 Sq ft, standing in the name of Sri. C. Prasanna Kumar S/o Chinnagiri, situated at Jayapuara Village , Bilagumba Grama Panchayath, Kasaba Hobli, Ramanagara Taluk and district. Bounded : On the East by : Road, On the West by: Site No.73, On the North by: Site No.49,On the South by: Road

Date : 23.05.2024 **Sd/-Authorized Officer**
Place : Mandya **Karnataka Gramin Bank**

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Whereas: The undersigned being the Authorized officer of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru,** under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest (Second) Act, 2002 (Act No. 54 of 2002) and in exercise of powers conferred under Section 13(12) read with rule 3 of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules 2002, issued a Demand Notice with Ref No. ARB/296/DN56/2023-24 dated **31.08.2023** calling upon the Borrowers/Mortgagers/Guarantors **1(a) Sri Channakeshawaswamy Industries, Represented by B M Guruprasad,** Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Post & Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District - 562129, **(2) Guarantor/s: 2(a) B M Guruprasad** S/o A Munikrishnappa, No.52, Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Post & Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562129, **2 (b) Mr. A Munikrishnappa** S/o of Late Appajappa, Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Post & Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562129, **2(c) Mrs. Munirathanamma** W/o A Munikrishnappa, Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Post & Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-562129, **2(d) Mr. Sonappa,** S/o Late Appajappa, Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Post & Hobli,, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District562129, **2(e) Mr. Shivanna,** S/o Mariyappa, Beediganahalli village,Channarayapatna post, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District-561207, to repay the amount mentioned in the notice **Rs.10,92,38,416.32** (Rupees Ten Crores Ninety Two Lakhs thirty Eight thousand Four hundred sixteen Paise Thirty two only) and interest thereon within 60 days from the date of receipt of the said notice.

The Borrowers having failed to repay the amount, notice is hereby given to the Borrowers and the public in general that the undersigned has taken possession of the property described herein below in exercise of powers conferred on him/her under Section 13(4) of the said Act read with rule 8 of the said rules on this **27th May, 2024.**

The borrower in particular and the public in general is hereby cautioned not to deal with the property and any dealings with the property will be subject to the charge of **Union Bank of India, Asset Recovery Branch, Bengaluru North for an amount of Rs.10,92,38,416.32** (Rupees Ten Crores Ninety Two Lakhs thirty Eight thousand Four hundred sixteen Paise Thirty two only) and interest thereon.

The borrower's attention is invited to the provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available, to redeem the secured assets.

DESCRIPTION OF THE SECURED ASSETS:

Property Description: Property No.1 : Plant & Machineries created out of our Bank loan and other fixed asset of the firm, (Standing in the Name of M/s Channakeshava Swamy Industries Represented by Prop: B.M.Guruprasad).

Property No.2: Item No.1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No. 15/3, Situated at Kareem Sonnenahalli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 3 Acres, (Standing in the name of B M Guruprasad and A.Munikrishnappa), bounded on: East by: Krishnappa Land, West by: Same Sy.No., North by: Byrasandra Land, South by: Muninarayanappa Land.

Item No. 2 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.15/2, Situated at Kareem Sonnenahalli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 2 Acres 39 Guntas, (Standing in the Name of B M Guruprasad and A.Munikrishnappa), bounded on: East by: Same Sy.No., West by: Same Sy.No., North by: Byrasandra Land, South by: Muninarayanappa Land.

Property No. 3 : Item No. 1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.106, Situated at Kareem Sonnenahalli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 1 Acre 39 Guntas, (Standing in the name of B M Guruprasad and A.Munikrishnappa), bounded on: East by: Seetharam Land, West by: Sy.No.105, North by: Govt. Gomala, South by: Sanjeeve Gowda Land.

Item No. 2 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy. No. 107, Situated at Kareem Sonnenahalli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 2 Acre 2 Guntas, (Standing in the name of B M Guruprasad and A.Munikrishnappa), bounded on: East by: Seetharam Land, West by: Sy.No.105, North by: Govt. Gomala, South by: Siddagangamma Land.

Property No. 4 : Item No.1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Industrial Shed No.66, of KSSIDC Industrial Estate, Situated at Bashetty Halli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 21.10 Mtrs X 8.55 Mtrs,totally measuring 180.40 sq.mtr (Standing in the name of B M Guruprasad), bounded on: East by: Shed No.65, West by: Conservency, North by: Road, South by: Shed No.43.

Item No.2 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Industrial Shed No.67, of KSSIDC Industrial Estate, Situated at Bashetty Halli Village, Doddaballapura Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, measuring 21.00 Mtrs X 8.90 Mtrs,totally measuring 186.90 Sq.mtr (Standing in the name of B M Guruprasad), bounded on: East by: conservency, West by: Shed no D-68, North by: 4th main Road, South by: Shed No.D-42.

Property No.5 : Item No. 1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.1/1, measuring 20 Guntas, Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, (Standing in the name of A.munikrishnappa) and bounded by: East By: Remaining land in same Survey Number belongs to Sonnappa, West By: Sarkari Kunte, North By: Sarkari Gutta, South by: Road and Lands of Doddegowda and Pillappa.

Item No. 2 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.1/3, measuring 3/4 Gunta, Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, (Standing in the name of A.munikrishnappa), East By:Remaining land in same Survey Number belongs to Sonnappa, West By: Sarkari Kunte, North By: Sarkari Gutta, South by: Road and Lands of Doddegowda and Pillappa.

Item No. 3 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land & Building bearing Sy.No.1/4, measuring 20 Guntas, building measuring Ground Floor 903 Sq.ft, First Floor 903 Sq.ft., Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, (Standing in the name of Sonnappa) and bounded by : East By:Venkatappa property, West By: A. Munikrishnappa property, North By: Government property, South by: Road.

Property No.6 : Item No. 1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.28/1, measuring 13 Guntas, Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, (Standing in the name of A.Munikrishnappa) and bounded by East By: Venkatappa property, West By: A. Munikrishnappa property, North By: Government property, South by: Road

Property No.7 : Item No. 1: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.49/1, measuring 5 Guntas Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. (Standing in the name of A.munikrishnappa), East By: land belonging to Sy. No. 48, West By: Water Body (Kere), North By: land belonging to Sy. No. 50, South by: land belonging to Sy. No. 42.

Item No.2 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.49/3, measuring 6 Guntas, Situated at Bettahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District, (Standing in the name of A.munikrishnappa), East By: land belonging to Sy. No. 48, West By: Water Body (Kere), North By: land belonging to Sy.No.50, South by: land belonging to Sy. No. 42.

Property No.8 : All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.29/1, measuring 1 Acre 9 Guntas, Situated at Thimmarasanahalli Village, Sulibele Hobli, Hosakote Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. (Standing in the name of A.munikrishnappa), East By:Road, West By: land belonging to Sy.No.30, North By: land belonging to Sy.No.28, South by: land belonging to Sy.No.31.

Property No.9: All that Piece and Parcel of the Land in Sy.No.276, measuring 1 Acre 11 Guntas, Situated at Hosapete Village, Jangamakote Hobli, Siddlaghatta Taluk, Chikkaballapur District, (Standing in the name of Munirathnamma), East By: land belonging to Attibele Maregowda, West By: Land belonging to H. Kempaiah, North By: land belonging to Hanumanthappa, South by: land belonging to Kamalamma.

Date: 27.05.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **Union Bank of India**
Asset Recovery Branch, Bangalore North

PUBLIC NOTICE

My Client, **Mr. Madanna Shekhar @ M. Shekar** S/o Madanna, aged about 44Yrs, residing at No.3, 3rd cross, PC extn., Kolar 563 101,is willing to Purchase the property bearing Khata No.250, Assessment No.302, situated at Petechamanahalli Layout, Ward No.13,Kolar City, measuring East to West 27 Feet, North to South 35 Feet, along with a house measuring 22 ½ X 16 ½ Feet constructed thereon and bounded on East by: Site No.2, West by: Site No.4, North by: CMC road, South by: Site No.18. He is intending to avail financial assistance from the Piramal Capital and Housing Finance Limited.

If any person/institution has any claim or interest of any nature pertaining to aforesaid property and document, the said claims along with supporting document/s shall be filed with undersigned within **7 days** from the date of publication of this Notice at the address mentioned below, any claim raised thereafter shall not be entertained or binding.

DINESH .R, Advocate
No.3/1, 2nd Floor, MTK Reddy Building, Outer Ring Road, Marathahalli, Bengaluru 560037.
Date: 28-05-2024

IN THE COURT OF THE 2nd ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE AND JMFC AT DEVANAHALLI

C.Mis. No. 188/2024

Between : Sri. Marappa & Others ...**Petitioners**
And: The Register Birth and Death Devanahalli Taluk. ...**Respondent**

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Petitioners have filed the petition for death certificate of deceased **Smt. Muniyamma W/o Late. Kenchappa, who was died on 13-03-1993** at Jalige Village, Kundana Hobli, Devanahalli Taluk, Bangalore Rural District. If any of the parties who have objections or claims may dispute regarding the same could and same any other interested person appear before the 2nd ADDITIONAL CIVIL JUDGE and J.M.F.C. at Devanahalli on date of hearing **on 25.06.2024 at 11-00 AM** in C.Mis. No. 188/2024.

By Order of the Court, Chief Ministerial Officer, Civil Judge & JMFC Court, Devanahalli.

Advocate for Petitioner : Address for Service :
K.N. Byyareddy, Advocate
Office at: Devanahalli Town, 1st Floor, 4th Division, 15th Ward, Behind New Bus Stand, Giddu Bagilu, Devanahalli.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, DEPARTMENT OF SPACE
U.R. RAO SATELLITE CENTRE
CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE GROUP

HAL Airport Road, Bangalore - 560 017
(Phone: 080 25084177, 4184, 4156)

BRIEF E-TENDER NOTICE

Sl. No	Description	Details
1	Name of work	Renovation works around LN2 yard SEG building, DTF building and trenches near CATVAC at ISITE campus, URSC, Marathahalli, Bengaluru.
2	E-Tender Notice No.	URSC/C&MG/3C/2024-25, dated:20.05.2024
3	Estimated cost put to tender	₹ 66.90 Lakhs
4	Tender Document details	E-Tender
5	Period of completion	SIX MONTHS
6	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD)	Rs. 1,33,800/- valid for 180 days
7	Period during which the tender document can be downloaded.	From 11.00 hrs on 24.05.2024 to 16.30 hrs on 07.06.2024
8	Bid clarification	From 11.30 hrs on 25.05.2024 to 17.00 hrs on 10.06.2024
9	Last date of reply to Bid Clarification	Up to 16.30 hrs. on 11.06.2024
10	Last date and time for receipt of tenders	Up to 11.00 hrs. on 12.06.2024
11	Due date and time of opening of tenders	11.00 hrs onwards on 12.06.2024

Interested tenderers may please refer Detailed Notice Inviting E-Tender (NIET) for eligibility criteria and other details along with Hindi version in website: **www.isro.gov.in** and download the tender documents from **www.tenderwizard.com/ISRO.**

Sd/-, Group Director, C&MG

Chemm Finance Ltd.

No.19, KCD Complex, 3rd Cross, Mission Road, Bangalore-27. Tel: 22221066, 22221115

GOLD AUCTION NOTICE

The borrowers, in specific and the public, in general, are hereby notified that public auction of the gold ornaments pledged in the below accounts is proposed to be conducted at the following branches on below mentioned dates. The auction is of the gold ornaments of defaulted customers who have failed to make payment of their loan amount despite being notified by registered letters. For further details please contact the branch manager

18.06.2024 **Chintamani :** 8523, 8582, 8644 **College Road :** 532, 538, 539, 552 **Mandya:** 8767 **Marathahalli:** 6714, 6776, 6777, ,6778, 6757, 6758, 6759, 6760, 6761, 6766, 6767, 6768, 6769, 6784, 6786, 6798, 6831, 6832. 19.06.2024. **Bhatkal :** 1028. **Hubli :** 2408, 2409, 2410, 2411, 2489, 2506, 2517. **Hoskote:** 10300, 10301, 10303, 10304, 10305, 10306, 10307, 10308, 10309, 10310, 10312, 10313, 10314, 10315, 10320, 10326, 10406, 10407, 10426, 10440, 10446, 10486, 10500, 10502, 10558, 10561, 10608, 10627, 10628, 10633, 10636, 10640, 10645, 10646, 10653, 10655, 10656, 10659, 10665, 10669 10670, 10671, 10684, 10688, 10689, 10690, 10703, 10704 10705, 10706, 10707, 10713, 10722, 10723, 10724 10746, 10750, 10762, 10775, 10796, 10804, 10806, 10810, 10825, 10867, 10868. **Ramnagar :** 90, 102. 20.06.2024 - **Chikaballapur :** 3336 **Dasarahalli :** 5889 **Mission Road :** 1459, 1460, 1461, 1462, 1463, 8328, 8334, 8341, 8347, 8352, 8368, 12463, 12464, 12484, 12485, 12486, 12497, 12499, 12500, 12517, 12518, 12519, 12530, 12531, 12535, 12536, 12538, 12542, 12548, 12549, 12568, 12575, 12576, 12583, 12587, 12590, 12592, 12593, 12594, 12595, 12596, 13304, 13305, 13306, 12636, 12646 **Mangalore:** 2749, 2760, 2775. **T. Narasipura:** 25. 21.06.2024 - **Bommanahalli :** 60, 88, 126. **Dodaballapur :** 11592, 11606, 11782, 11856, 11860, 11864, 11880, 11894, 11924, 11944, 11945, 11946, 11981, 11989, 11990, 12021 **K R Puram :** 8088, 8113, 8118, 8124, 8125, 8126, 8127, 8128, 8129, 8143, 8149, 8168, 8185, 8181, 8195, 8230, 8258, 8269, 8270, 8282, 8288, 8348. **Mysore :** 4156, 4157, 4162, 4212, 4213, 4214, 4239, 4254, 4285, 4299, 4321, 4323, 4327, 4328. 22.06.2024 - **Basavanagar :** 2675, 2721, 2735, 2771, 2787, 2788, 2811, 2812. **Chamrajnagar :** 10290, 10306, 10390, 10420, 10446, 10516, 10528, 10563, 10603, 10616, 10617. **Malur :** 9125, 9264, 9265, 9288, 9295. **Tippasandra :** 4823, 4887, 4926, 4954. **Tumkur :** 3657, 3658, 3663, 3884, 3885

Canara Bank

Townhall Branch,
51, Stock Exchange Towers,
I Cross, J C Road, Bangalore 560027
Ph: 0820 22238308, Email: cb0413@canarabank.com

AUCTION SALE NOTICE

OFFERS ARE INVITED FROM PUBLIC FOR PURCHASE OF BELOW MENTIONED MACHINERY TO BE AUCTIONED BY CANARA BANK TOWNHALL BRANCH, BENGALURU-560 027.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described movable property/ies Hypothecated to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Canara Bank Townhall Branch, Bengaluru, will be sold on **"As the condition where is", "As is what is",and "Whatever there is"** on **12.06.2024,** for recovery of dues mentioned below (with further interest and charges there on) due from the Townhall branch, Bengaluru, of Canara Bank from **the borrowers.**

Name of the Borrower	Machinery details
M/s Harini Tool Tech, No. 32, 2nd Main, Siddartha Gowtham School Road, Kamakshipalya, Industrial Extension, Bangalore- 560079.	**a)** CNC Vertical machining Centre Model BMV51TC24 with Mitsubishi M70 CNC System with the following accessories- Coolant gun, 3 Tier Lamp, Ring Coolant, AC Unit for Electrical Cabinet, Mobile MPG, Air Nozzle Near the Spindle with M Code, BT 40 Pull Studs – 24 Nos., Returnable base plate packing. **b)** Weize machine **c)** Computer with CPU
Reserve Price : Rs. 12,06,000.00	**EMD Amount : Rs. 1,20,600.00**

a) **The Earnest Money Deposit stated above shall be deposited on or before 10.06.2024 by 4.00 PM. The EMD amount has to be paid by Demand Draft (DD) favouring Canara Bank, Townhall Branch, Bangalore OR through online (RTGS/NEFT/IMPS) to Account No.209272434 (IFSC CodeCNRB0000413) of Canara Bank, Townhall Branch,** Bengaluru.

b) **E-Auction of machinery will be held on 12.06.2024, between 11.00 A.M. to 11:30 A.M** by the service provider M/s Antares Systems Ltd, Bengaluru (Contact no 9686196756 / 080-49352000, e- mail: manohar.s@antaressystems.com.

c) **Interested bidders can inspect machinery on 07.06.2024 between 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM and satisfy themselves about the machinery before submission of the bid.**

d) The intending bidder should submit the KYC Documents along with the bid application.

e) **Successful bidder has to remit the balance amount within 7 days from the date of E-Auction,** otherwise the EMD amount will be forfeited and will not be refunded under any circumstances. It shall be the responsibility of the successful bidder to bear all the charges for conveyance, transfer registration charges, etc., as applicable.

f) Authorized Officer reserves the right to postpone/cancel or vary the terms and conditions of the e-auction without assigning any reason thereof.

g) For further details, please contact AUTHORISED Officer, Chief Manager, Canara Bank, Townhall Branch, Bengaluru, **Ph. No. 9908918951, 0820 22238308** during office hours on any working day.

Place: Bangalore **Authorized Officer**
Date : 28.05.2024 **Canara Bank**

Canara Bank

(A Government of India Undertaking)
Head Office: Bangalore

ARM-1 Branch
2nd Floor, No.86, Spencer Tower,
M.G. Road, Bangalore-560001
PH: 080-25310066 / 25588641
E-mail: cb2366@canarabank.com

SALE NOTICE

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Properties under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged to the Secured Creditor, the Symbolic possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of **ARM -1Branch, Bengaluru of the Canara Bank,** will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is"** on **10.07.2024 (10.30 AM to 11.00AM),** for recovery of **Rs.55,13,37,341.00/- as on 26.05.2024** with further interest and cost thereon due to the **ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru of Canara Bank from (1) Savithri Jewellers Pvt. Ltd.,** No.165, Maauli Mantralaya, Lakshmi Teimple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum. Karnataka-590011. **(2) Mrs. Deepa Vernekar** W/o Mr. Prashant Wandkar, Director Savithri Jewellers Pvt.Ltd, At No.165, Maauli Mantralaya, Lakshmi Temple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum, Karnataka-590011. **(3) Ms. Shilpa Vernaker** D/o Mr. Suresh Vernekar, Director Savithri Jewellers Pvt.Ltd, At No.165, Maauli Mantralaya, Lakshmi Temple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum, Karnataka-590011. **(4) Mr. Kishore Vernekar** S/o Mr. Suresh Vernekar R/o At No.165, Maauli Mantralya, Lakshmi Temple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum, Karnataka-590011. **(5) Sri Suresh Vernekar** S/o Mr. Dattatray Vernekar R/o At No.165, Maauli Mantralaya, Lakshmi Temple Road, Hindiwadi, Belgaum, Karnataka-590011.

The Reserve Price and Earnest Money Deposits details are as under & the Earnest Money Deposit shall be deposited on or before **09.07.2024 at 5.00 pm** by way of DD favouring **Authorized Officer, Canara Bank ARM-1 Branch** or through online payment to **Account No.209272434 (IFSC CNRB0002366)** is as under.

(₹.In Lakhs)

Lot	Description of the immovable assets	Reserve Price	EMD	Incre -mental Value
1	Residential property at Plot No. 165, CTS No. 1719, Measuring land 5040 Sq.ft with building Ground Floor 1616 Sq.ft, 1st Floor 1100 Sq.ft at Mahalakshmi Temple Road, Hindwadi, Belgaum and bounded on: North by : Plot No. 166, South By : Plot No. 166, East by : Road, West by : Road.	₹.173.20	₹.17.32	₹.1.00
2	Property bearing R S No. 59/1 measuring 1 acres situated at Madhavapura, Belguam and bounded on the : East by : R S No. 58, West by : R S No.76, North by : R S No. 57 and South by : R S No.77.	₹.207.80	₹.20.78	₹.1.00

Known encumbrances, if any: Not to the knowledge of the Bank.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale please refer the link "E-Auction" provided in Canara Bank's website (www.canarabank.com) or may contact Chief Manager, ARM-1 Branch, Bengaluru, Canara Bank, Ph. No.9920720798 and 9448507473 during office hours on any working day.

Date : 27.05.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bengaluru **Canara Bank**

SOUTHERN RAILWAY

MATERIALS MANAGEMENT DEPARTMENT
AUCTION PROGRAMME
NOTICE NO: 07/2024

e-Auction will be conducted for disposal of Ferrous scrap, Non-Ferrous scrap, other Misc scrap, condemned Wagon, Coaches & Locos, Scrap Rails and other Permanent Way scrap material.

Sl. No.	e-Auction conducted by	Date of auction for the month of for JULY 24			Material for auction
1	GSD/PER	04/07/24	19/07/24	29/07/24	The details of item to be sold in e-auction will be available in catalogue in **www.ireps.gov.in** Website
2	CSSD/GOC	05/07/24	16/07/24	24/07/24	
3	SSD/PTJ	08/07/24	18/07/24	26/07/24	
4	MAS Division	05/07/24	16/07/24	24/07/24	
5	SA Division	08/07/24	18/07/24	26/07/24	
6	TVC Division	03/07/24	11/07/24	19/07/24	
7	PGT Division	03/07/24	11/07/24	19/07/24	
8	TPJ Division	02/07/24	10/07/24	22/07/24	
9	MDU Division	02/07/24	10/07/24	22/07/24	

Total no. of auction for for JULY'24 - 27nos

Note: Surplus Diesel locos in "as is where is condition" may be auctioned.

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UNION BANK OF INDIA

ASSET RECOVERY BRANCH, BENGALURU NORTH

No.635 C (New No.25/2), 1st Main Road, E Block, 2nd Stage, Rajaji Nagar, Dr Rajkumar Road, Bengaluru-560010. Mail Id:arb.bengalurunorth@unionbankofindia.bank, Mobile: 90032 23669

NOTICE TO THE BORROWER INFORMING ABOUT SALE (30 DAYS NOTICE) RULE 6 (2)/8 (6) OF SECURITY INTEREST (ENFORCEMENT) RULES 2002

(1) Borrower: 1.M/s.Sri Manjunatha Fabrication Works, Prop: Mr.M.Muniswamy, No.1192, 7th Cross, 17th Main Road, Muneshwara Block, Bangalore 560026. **Proprietor: 2.Mr.M.Muniswamy,** No.22, 6th Cross road, 12th main road, Raghavendra Block, Basavangudi, Bangalore 560050. **Guarantor: 3.Mrs.M.Selvi,** No.22, 6th Cross road, 12th main road, Raghavendra Block, Basavangudi, Bangalore 560050.

Sale of property belonging to **Mr.N.Muniswamy & Mrs.M.Selvi** for realization of amount due to Bank under the SECURITIZATION AND RECONSTRUCTION OF FINANCIAL ASSETS AND ENFORCEMENT OF SECURITY INTEREST ACT, 2002. **Union Bank of India, Cantonment Branch, (now account transferred to ARB, Bengaluru North)** the secured creditor, caused a demand notice dated **23.05.2023** under Section 13(2) of the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002, calling upon you to pay the dues within the time stipulated therein. Since you failed to comply the said notice within the period stipulated, the Authorised Officer, has taken possession of the immovable secured assets under Section 13(4) of the Act read with Rule 8 of Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002 on **10.08.2023.** Even after taking possession of the secured asset, you have not paid the amount due to bank. As such, it has become necessary to sell the below mentioned property by holding public e-auction after 30 days from the date of receipt of this notice through online mode. The date and time of e-auction along with the Reserve Price of the property and the details of the service provider, in which the e-auction to be conducted, shall be informed to you separately. Therefore, if you pay the amount due to the bank along with subsequent interest, costs, charges and expenses incurred by bank before the date of publication of sale notice, no further action shall be taken for sale of the property and you can redeem your property as stipulated in sec. 13 (8) of the SARFAESI Act.

SCHEDULE OF PROPERTY: Property No.1: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing site no.572, formerly in Sy.No.16/1 situated at Erannagudde, Kasthurba Colony, Avalahalli village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently come under the limit of BBMP, Bangalore 560076 measuring East to West (48+35)/2 feet and North to South (43+27)/2 feet totally 1452.50 sq.ft belonging to Mr.M.Muniswamy and it is bounded on East by: Property bearing no.571, West by: Private property, North by: Road, South by: Property No.573.

Property No.2: All that piece and parcel of the immovable property bearing municipal no.22/21, situated at 6th Cross, 12th Main Road, Raghavendra Block, measuring East to West 30 feet and North to South 45 feet totally measuring 1350 sq.ft belonging to Mrs.M.Selvi and it is bounded on East by: Site No.21, West by: Site No.23, North by: Site No.29, South by: 25 feet Road.

Date : 23.05.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place : Bangalore **Union Bank of India**

PUBLIC NOTICE

ICICI Bank

Branch Office: ICICI Bank Ltd Office No.201-B, 2nd Floor, Road No.1, Plot No-B3, WIFI IT Park, Wagle Industrial Estate, Thane (West)- 400604.

The following borrower/s have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). A notice was issued to them under Section 13 (2) of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act-2002 on their last known addresses, however it was not served and hence they are hereby notified by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower/ Co-Borrower/ Guarantor/ (Loan Account Number) & Address	Property Address of Secured Asset/ Asset to be Enforced	Date of Notice Sent/ Outstanding as on Date of Notice	NPA Date
1.	Mohiyuddin Abdul Shaikh/ Zohra Bibi Mohiyuddin Shaikh/ (LBMUM00002087587) H No. 879/2, At And Po Chichani, Rafai Mohallah, Near Boisar Railway Station, Khadinaka, Dahanu, Thane- 401503	Flat No. 104, 1st Floor, Tower-B, "Pine", "The Green", Survey No. 33, 35/3, 35/4, 174, 224, 184/5, 189, Village Bidargere, Village Kasaba Hobli, Tal- Anekal, Bangalore- 562106	April 19, 2024 Rs. 13,32,488/-	29-02-2024
2.	Shrimali Bhaveshkumar/ Madhuben Ishvarbhai Shrimali/ (LBSUR00005077112) & 15, Komal Park Apartment, Opp Nova Apex, Adajan, Surat- 395009	Flat No. 16, 4th Floor, Building No. D, Komal Park, Opp Nova Apex, R. S. No. 238 Paki, T.P.S. No. 13, F.P. No. 125, Adajan, Surat- 395006	May 06, 2024 Rs. 14,42,249/-	03-02-2024

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above borrower/s and/or their guarantors (as applicable) are advised to make the payments of outstanding within period of 60 days from the date of publication of this notice else further steps will be taken as per the provisions of Securitisation and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002.

Date : May 29, 2024 **Authorized Officer**
Place : Bangalore **ICICI Bank Limited**

AXIS BANK

Retail Lending and Payment Group (Local Office/Branch): Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027.
Axis Bank Ltd., 3rd Floor, Gigaplex, NPC – 1, TTC Industrial Area, Mugalsan Road, Airoli, Navi Mumbai – 400 708.
Registered Office: "Trishul", 3rd Floor Opp. Samartheshwar Temple Law Garden, Ellisbridge, Ahmedabad – 380006.

E-AUCTION SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTY

Public-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9 Sub Rule (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower(s) and Guarantor(s) that the below described immovable property is mortgaged/charged to the secured creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorized Officer of Secured Creditor will be sold on **"As is where is", "As is what is" and "Whatever there is"** on **14th June 2024** for recovery of **Rs. 1,00,60,260/-**(Rupees One Crore Sixty Thousand Two Hundred and Sixty Only) dues as on **29-12-2018** with future interest and costs due to the secured creditor from **1. M/s. Swami Vivekananda Developers Represented By Its Partners Mr. M.Prabhakar Rao And Mrs.M.Sandhya Rani,** No 547, Flat No 305, 3rd Floor, S R Enclave, Sadanandanagar, Bangalore – 560038. **Also At: M/s. Swami Vivekananda Developers,** Muncipal No 3-4-489/1, Mezzain Floor, Baraktapurlingampally, Hyderabad – 500001. **(Borrower) 2. Mr. M. Prabhakar Rao** No 547, Flat No 305, 3rd Floor, S R Enclave, Sadanandanagar, Bangalore – 560038. **Also At: Mr. M. Prabhakar Rao,** Muncipal No 3-4-489/1, Mezzain Floor, Baraktapurlingampally, Hyderabad–500001. **3. Mrs. M. Sandhya Rani,** No 547, Flat No 305, 3rd Floor, S R Enclave, Sadanandanagar, Bangalore–560038. **Also At: Mrs. M. Sandhya Rani,** Muncipal No 3-4-489/1, Mezzain Floor, Baraktapurlingampally, Hyderabad–500001. **(Co-Applicant)** in Loan No. **PCR051401189584.** Please refer the appended auction schedule for necessary details: -

KNOWN ENCUMBRANCES (IF ANY)	**Not known to the secured creditor. The unpaid charges towards electricity, maintenance, Tax etc. if any, as applicable**
RESERVE PRICE (IN RS.)	**Rs. 1,25,00,000/- (Rupees One Crore Twenty Five Lakhs Only)**
EARNEST MONEY DEPOSIT (IN RS.)	**Rs.12,50,000/- (Rupees Twelve Lakhs Fifty Thousand Only) through DD/PO in favor of 'Axis Bank Ltd.' payable at Bangalore.**
BID INCREMENTAL AMOUNT	**Rs. 20,000/- (Rs. Twenty Thousand Only)**
LAST DATE, TIME AND VENUE FOR SUBMISSION OF BIDS / TENDER WITH EMD	**Till 13th June 2024 latest by 04:00 P.M. at Axis Bank Ltd, # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027, Addressed to Mr. Shaik Azuruddin / Mr. Raghunath.**
DATE, TIME, AND VENUE FOR PUBLIC E-AUCTION	**On 14th June 2024, between 11.00 A.M and 12.00 Noon with unlimited extensions of 5 minutes each at web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com e-auction tender documents containing e-auction bid form, declaration etc., are available on the website of the Service Provider as mentioned above**

DETAILS OF MORTGAGED PROPERTY: Schedule-A: (Property standing in the name of Mr. M. Prabhakar Rao) All that Semi finished Eastern part of MEZZANINE Floor, with built up area of 1120 Sq.ft with proportionate undivided share of land to the extent of 15 Sq.yds out of 765Sq yds in the premises bearing municipal No,3-4-489/1, situated at Barkatpura, Lingampally, Hyderabad and flat is bounded by: East : Open to Sky, West : Open to Sky, North : Open to Sky, South : Staircase & Western part of MEZZANINE Floor.

SCHEDULE-B: (Property standing in the name of Mrs. M. Sandhya Rani) : All that Semi finished Western part of MEZZANINE Floor, with built up area of 1120 Sq.ft with proportionate undivided share of land to the extent of 15 Sq.yds out of 765Sq yds in the premises bearing municipal No,3-4-489/1, situated at Barkatpura, Lingampally, Hyderabad and flat is bounded by: East : Open to Sky, West : Staircase & Flat No.GI, North : Eastern part of MEZZANINE Floor, South : Open to Sky.

For detailed terms and conditions of the sale, please refer to the link provided in the secured creditor's website i.e. https://www.axisbank.com/auction-retail and the Bank's approved service provider M/S C1 India Private Limited at their web portal https://www.bankeauctions.com

The auction will be conducted online through the Bank's approved service provider M/s. C1 India Private Limited at their web portal **https://www.bankeauctions.com.**

For any other assistance, the intending bidders may contact **Mr. Shaik Azuruddin/Raghunath** at **Axis Bank Ltd,** # 45 Prestige Libra, 1st Floor, Regional Passport Office, Near: Urvashi Theatre, Lalbagh Road, Lalbagh, Bangalore – 560 027 **(Mobile No. 917330999018, 919886960484, Email ID: shaik.azuruddin@axisbank.com/raghunath1@axisbank.com)**

This Notice should be considered as 15 Days' Notice to the Borrowers/Co-borrowers/Guarantors under Rule 9 Sub Rule (1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) (Amendment) Rules, 2002.

Date: 28.05.2024 **Sd/- Authorised Officer**
Place: Bangalore **AXIS BANK LTD.,**

BANARAS LOCOMOTIVE WORKS, VARANASI-221004

Bid No.: E-16/2024-25 **E-TENDERS** **Date: 28.05.2024**

E-Tenders are invited for & on behalf of the President of India for the supply of following items. Only e- offer will be accepted for which venders must have Class III Digital Signature and registration on IREPS. The details of tenders are in the following sequence S.No. Tender No. (Due Date). Description and Quantity. Sl.No.: 1, 02241008, (21.06.2024), **Washer Type A Flat,** PL No. 19391559, 529 Nos. & PL No. 19391560, 232 Nos, Sl.No.: 2, 02241342, (26.06.2024), **Misc Hardware Items Kit for TAS CAB,** PL No. 29408507, 692 Set, Sl.No.: 3, 02241459, (02.07.2024), **Misc Hardware Items Kit for TAS ASM,** PL No. 29408490, 601 Set, Sl.No.: 4, 02232041, (15.07.2024), **Slinger (Water Pump),** PL No. 10240263, 14 Nos, Sl.No.: 5, 02232047A, (15.07.2024), **Air Intake Valve,** PL No. 10245807, 109 Nos, Sl.No.: 6, 02232035B, (29.07.2024), **Clevis,** PL No. 19320085, 244 Nos, Sl.No.: 7, 02231415B, (29.07.2024), **Gasket Air Elbow,** PL No. 10171149, 12 Nos, Sl.No.: 8, 03241082A, (13.06.2024), **Valve ASM,** PL No. 17451681, 8 Nos, Sl.No.: 9, 03241056A, (14.06.2024), **Valve,** PL No. 17390011, 18 Nos, Sl. No.: 10, 03241081B, (14.06.2024), **Elbow,** PL No. 17280679, 10 Nos, PL No. 17280813, 55 Nos, PL No. 17281313, 10 Nos, PL No. 17281398, 14 Nos, Sl. No.: 11, 03241016A, (18.06.2024), **Hose ASM,** PL No. 17320872, 180 Nos, PL No. 17051113, 65 Nos, PL No. 17061775, 54 Nos, PL No. 17061155, 24 Nos, PL No. 17320501, 25 Nos, Sl. No.: 12, 03232158D, (14.06.2024), **Clip ASM,** PL No. 17042707, 1 Nos, Sl. No.: 13, 03232148D, (18.06.2024), **Elbow,** PL No. 17290156, 2 Nos, Sl. No.: 14, 03230001, (24.06.2024), **Set of Fabricated,** PL No. 29741130, 23 Set, Sl. No.: 15, 03241758, (28.06.2024), **Bull Gear 107 Teeth,** PL No. 29420064, 2750 Nos, Sl. No.: 16, 03241733, (19.06.2024), **Complete Shell Assembly,** PL No. 29176608, 448 Set, Sl. No.: 17, 03241019, (28.06.2024), **Bull Gear 72 Teeth,** PL No. 29420040, 878 Nos, Sl. No.: 18, 04231903A, (14.06.2024), **Feed Valve F-2,** PL No. 11376545, 20 Nos, Sl. No.: 19, 04240109, (18.06.2024), **Ducting Assly,** PL No. 29470067, 621 Set, Sl. No.: 20, 04241052 (e-RA Double Bid System), (21.08.2024), **Brake Gear Arrangement,** PL No. 29140225, 608 Set, Sl. No.: 21, 04241012 (e-RA Double Bid System), (16.07.2024), **Assembled Filter Assly,** PL No. 29480103, 602 Set, Sl. No.: 22, 08231205B Open Tender, (21.06.2024), **Bolt 3/8-24 Hex,** PL No. 19012263, 8736 Nos, Sl. No.: 23, 08231220B Open Tender, (20.06.2024), **Screw # 6-32 FSL,** PL No. 19150210, 3054 Nos, Sl. No.: 24, 08231151E, Dev. Tender, (03.07.2024), **Bolt,** PL No. 19016086, 829 Nos, Sl. No.: 25, 08231481B, Dev. Tender, (08.07.2024), **Bolt Special,** PL No. 19011167, 960 Nos. The details of above tenders are available on **www.blw.indianrailways.gov.in** and **www.ireps.gov.in.**

P.R./BLW/S-16 **PCMM**

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STATE BANK OF INDIA

N.R.Circle Branch (40045), No.3291, N.R.Circle, Hassan-573201

A notice is hereby given that the following Borrower's

M/s Navilu Fabrics, Prop: Smt.Sonia V W/o Sri. Karthik, #Plot No.85-A, Hassan Growth Center Sub Layout-IV , KIADB, Hassan-573201. Residential add: # 66, 2nd Cross, 3rd Main, Behind BBMP, MEI Layout, Bagalukunte, Bengaluru North , Bengaluru-560073 **And Guarantor/s: Smt. Sonia V W/o Sri. Karthik,** # 66, 2nd Cross, 3rd Main, Behind BBMP, MEI Layout, Bagalukunte, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560073, have defaulted in the repayment of principal and interest of the loans facility obtained by them from the Bank and the loans have been classified as Non-Performing Assets (NPA). The notices were issued to them under Section 13(2) of Securitization and Re-construction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act 2002 on their last known addresses, but they have been returned unserved and as such they are hereby informed by way of this public notice.

Sr. No.	Name of the Borrower	Details of Properties/ Address of Secured Assets to be Enforced	Date of Notice	Date of NPA	Amount Outstanding (As on the date of Notice)
1	**M/s Navilu Fabrics, Prop: Smt.Sonia V W/o Sri. Karthik,**	**1. Raw Materials of Silk and 2. Silk Sarees of Finished goods**	**09/05/ 2024**	**30/04/ 2024**	**Rs.78,23,346/- as on 09.05.2024 +** interest and other charges thereon.

The steps are being taken for substituted service of notice. The above Borrower(s) and /or their Guarantor(s) (whenever applicable) are hereby called upon to make payment of outstanding amount within 60 days from the date of publication of this notice. Failing which further steps will be taken after expiry of 60 days from the date of this notice under sub-section (4) of Section 13 of Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security interest Act, 2002.

The borrower's attention invited to provisions of Sub-section (8) of Section 13 of the Act, in respect of time available to redeem the secured assets.

Place : Hassan Sd/- Authorised Officer
Date: 29.05.2024 State Bank of India

13 died
After a minibus taxi and a truck were involved in a head-on collision

GLOBAL WEATHER
LR: Light Rain • WI: Windy • HR: Heavy Rain • SN: Snow • TDS: Thundershower • LC: Light Cloud • SNY: Sunny

Beijing	30	21	SNY	Los Angeles	24	14	SNY
Colombo	30	28	HR	Melbourne	18	9	SNY
Dhaka	33	30	SNY	Moscow	28	16	SNY
Dubai	36	30	SNY	New York	25	16	LR
Houston	31	25	LR	Singapore	33	29	SNY
Istanbul	24	16	SNY	Toronto	19	10	SNY
London	19	12	LR	Washington	15	9	LR

It's done. Spain, Norway, Ireland recognise Palestine

No immediate impact seen on war; Israel lashes out alleging the decision is meant to incite genocide against Jews

BARCELONA

SPAIN, Norway and Ireland formally recognised a Palestinian state on Tuesday in a coordinated effort by the three Western European nations to add international pressure on Israel to soften its response to last year's Hamas-led attack. Israel condemned the diplomatic move, which will have no immediate impact on the war in Gaza. Spanish Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez said in a televised address from Madrid that "this is a historic decision that has a single goal, and that is to help Israelis and Palestinians achieve peace."

Israeli Foreign Minister Israel Katz quickly lashed out at Spain on *X*, saying that Sánchez's government was "being complicit in inciting genocide against Jews and war crimes." Ireland and Norway soon joined Spain in formalising a decision they had jointly announced the previous week.

"I hope (this) sends the Palestinian people a message of hope that — in this their darkest hour — Ireland stands with them," Irish Prime Minister Simon Harris told lawmakers in parliament after his Cabinet signed off on the decision.

The Palestinian flag flies outside Leinster House, Dublin, the seat of Ireland's parliament on Tuesday | AP

"It is no longer enough just to condemn. It is no longer enough just to be repulsed," he added.

"We must be on the right side of history."

Norwegian Foreign Minister Espen Barth Eide said in a statement that "for more than 30 years, Norway has been one of the strongest advocates for a Palestinian state. Today, when Norway officially recognises Palestine as a state, is a milestone in the relationship between Norway and Palestine."

Relations between the EU and Israel have nosedived with the diplomatic recognitions by two EU members, and Madrid insisting on Monday that the EU should take measures against Israel for its continued deadly attacks in southern Gaza's city of Rafah.

After Monday's meeting of EU foreign ministers, Irish Foreign Minister Micheál Martin said: "For the first time at an EU meeting, in a real way, I have seen a significant discussion on sanctions" on Israel.

Harris, the Irish leader, insisted Tuesday that the EU should consider economic sanctions against Israel.

Prime Minister Robert Golob of Slovenia said that Monday his government would decide on the recognition of a Palestinian state on Thursday, and forward its decision to parliament for final approval.

Finnish state broadcaster *YLE* quoted President Alexander Stubb as saying that the Nordic country would recognise it "at some stage in the future" also on Tuesday. *AP*

16 more killed in fresh Israeli attacks on Rafah

CAIRO/RAFAH

ISRAELI strikes on Rafah have killed at least 16 Palestinians, first responders said on Tuesday, as residents reported an escalation of fighting in the southern Gaza city.

The latest strikes occurred in the same area where Israel targeted what it said was a Hamas compound on Sunday night.

Strikes overnight killed a total of 16 people in the Tel al-Sultan neighbourhood in northwest Rafah, according to the Palestinian Civil Defence and the Palestinian Red Crescent.

Israel says it is carrying out limited operations in eastern Rafah along the Gaza-Egypt border. But residents reported heavy bombardment overnight in western parts of Rafah as well. "It was a night of horror," said Abdel-Rahman Abu Ismail, a Palestinian from Gaza City who has been sheltering in Tel al-Sultan since December.

He said he heard 'constant sounds' of explosions overnight and into Tuesday morning, with fighter jets and drones flying over the area.

He said it reminded him of the Israeli invasion of of his neighbourhood of Shijaiyah in Gaza City, where Israel launched a heavy bombing campaign before sending in ground forces in late 2023. 'We saw this before,' he said.

Eye witnesses said that Israeli tanks were stationed in the centre of Rafah on Tuesday.

Rafah resident Abdel Khatib, 40, said he had seen Israeli tanks "stationed near Al-Awda mosque in the centre of Rafah. People are currently inside their homes because anyone who moves is being shot at by Israeli drones."

Another resident, Muhammad al-Shaer, 36, said his home in Rafah's city centre had come under shelling from tanks.

Another Rafah resident Sayed al-Masri said "the situation is worsening' and many families have been forced to flee their homes. *AP/AFP*

WAR WATCH
ISRAEL-GAZA: DAY 235

TOLL SO FAR
37,754

Detroit college suspends classes

Wayne State University in Detroit suspended in-person classes on Tuesday and encouraged staff to work remotely to avoid any problems with a pro-Palestinian encampment that sprouted last week. "All on-campus events are canceled until further notice," the school said in a statement. *AP*

Ranil Wickremesinghe

Prez Ranil's party suggests postponing all polls for 2 yrs

COLOMBO

THE United National Party headed by Sri Lankan President Ranil Wickremesinghe on Tuesday suggested holding a referendum to postpone both presidential and general elections and extending the terms of both offices for two years to pursue much-needed economic reforms, a proposal that was immediately criticised by the opposition parties as unconstitutional. The island nation's Elections Commission earlier this month said the presidential election would be conducted between September 17 and October 16.

United National Party (UNP) general secretary Palitha Range Bandara presented a proposal to postpone both the presidential and general elections by two years and emphasised that if circumstances warrant, this proposal can be formally submitted to Parliament, paving the way for a referendum, news portal *NewsFirst.lk* reported.

"The UNP General Secretary highlighted a pivotal moment in Sri Lanka's history. The nation faced economic adversity, but resolute measures were taken to steer it away from the brink. These efforts yielded significant victories," Bandara told reporters here. "We have regained international trust, stabilised the economy, and provided relief to our citizens. Administrative reforms have streamlined governance, and the education system has returned to normalcy," he asserted.

Bandara attributed these achievements to the current president's leadership and underscored that the country's current needs do not align with an immediate presidential or parliamentary election. He urged unity across party lines, including opposition leader's support. *PTI*

Police arrest man accused of running naked in Virgin plane in Australia

MELBOURNE

A man accused of running naked down the aisle of an Australian domestic flight, knocking down a flight attendant and forcing the plane to turn back, was arrested by police at the airport, officials said on Tuesday. The incident happened early in what was scheduled to be a 3 hour and 30 minute Virgin Australia flight on Monday night from the west coast city of Perth to Melbourne on the east coast.

Flight VA696 returned to Perth Airport due to a "disruptive passenger," an airline statement said.

Australian Federal Police officers were waiting for the plane and "the disruptive guest was offloaded," Virgin said.

Police said "officers arrested a man after he allegedly ran **naked through the aircraft mid-flight and knocked a crew member to the floor."**

"The man was transferred to hospital for assessment, where he remains," a police statement said. It was not clear how or where on the plane the passenger removed his clothes. Police expect to order the man by summons to appear in a Perth court on June 14. What charges he will face have yet to be finalised.

The airline apologized to "guests impacted," adding the safety of passengers and crew was its top priority. *ABC* reported that nobody was injured during the incident. *AP*

Supporters for both ruling and opposition parties demonstrate at the legislative chamber building in Taipei on Tuesday | AP

Outrage as Taiwan's pro-China legislature cuts president power

TAIPEI

TAIWAN's opposition-controlled legislature passed changes on Tuesday that are seen as favouring China and diminishing the power of the island's president, sparking protests by thousands of people.

The changes pushed by the opposition Nationalist Party and its allies would give the legislature greater power to control budgets, including defence spending that the party has blocked in what many see as a concession to China.

It remains unclear whether the package of bills will become law. The Executive Yuan, the executive branch of government headed by the premier, may veto legislation or pass it on to the president, who has to proclaim bills into law within 10 days. If the Executive Yuan or the president does not comply, the bills will not become law.

Thousands of people gathered outside the legislature to protest the changes.

The legislative chamber was festooned with banners promoting both sides in the dispute, while arguments on the floor broke into shouting and pushing matches.

The Nationalists, also known as the KMT, officially back unification with China, from which Taiwan separated during a civil war in 1949.

They took control of the legislature with a single-seat majority after elections in January, while the presidency went to Lai Ching-te of the Democratic Progressive Party, which favors Taiwan's de facto independence from China and is hated by Beijing.

"People must stand up at this time, and we must let those legislators know that the laws they are enacting are not what we want," said Huang Hong-wei, a protester. "That's why so many people are taking to the streets to protest, because we used to believe in these legislators, but they didn't do what they promised, so the people got angry."

DPP legislators accused deputies from the KMT and the minority Taiwan People's Party of undermining Taiwan's democracy by expanding the legislature's oversight of the executive branch.

They denounced the legislation as creating a "black box" for what the KMT has portrayed as reforms.

"There was no discussion on the legislation this time and these bills are rough," said Ray Wan, a protester from Kaohsiung. "Without detailed discussions, these incomplete bills will do Taiwan a great disservice." While the KMT controls the legislature, its speaker and its allies in the TPP were elected on party lists, meaning they answer to no actual constituents. *AP*

Sunak negates charge on post-poll exit from UK

LONDON

RISHI Sunak was on Tuesday forced to counter stinging criticism from a Conservative Party peer that the British prime minister was planning to "disappear" to California after damaging the party 'beyond repair', saying the UK was his home and he has no plans to relocate his family to the US after the general election on July 4.

The British leader told voters on the campaign trail in Amersham, south-east England, that he was surprised at Lord Zac Goldsmith's comments posted on social media this week as he had not spoken to the former Foreign Office minister for a long time.

The 44-year-old father of two school-going daughters, Krishna and Anoushka, said he had no intention of pulling them out of their schools in the UK and relocating.

"I'm surprised that Lord Goldsmith, who I don't think I've spoken to in a very long time, seems to have some sort of intimate knowledge of my family's arrangements," Sunak told a group of Tory supporters. Asked about the prospect of relocating to the US, the UK-born MP for Richmond in North Yorkshire said: "Of course not, my kids are at school, this is my home and as I said earlier my football team [Southampton FC] just got promoted to the Premier League so I intend to spend many more happy days watching them at St Mary's [Stadium].

"Of course that's what I'm going to do. I was born and brought up in Southampton, I was raised with a very strong ethic of service to one's community, that's what I believe, that's what I've always done." *PTI*

ASIA MATTERS

COPS IN GAMES TO BOOST PUBLIC IMAGE

Khaki-clad cops threw bone-crunching right hooks, wrestled and launched devastating sweeping kicks at each other in a tournament on Tuesday aimed at punching up their public image. The bouts followed a recent opinion poll that showed only a little more than 10% of the public had confidence in the police. So, in an attempt to boost their image, the kingdom's Central Investigation Bureau summoned 96 of the fiercest officers to fight each other in a mixed martial arts tournament. *AFP*

LGBTQ+ BACKLASH

Pope forced to apologise for vulgar comment on gays

VATICAN CITY

POPE Francis apologised on Tuesday after he was quoted using a vulgar and derogatory term about gay men to reaffirm the Catholic Church's ban on gay priests.

Vatican spokesman Matteo Bruni issued a statement acknowledging the media storm that erupted about Francis' comments, which were delivered behind closed doors to Italian bishops on May 20.

Italian media on Monday had quoted unnamed Italian bishops in reporting that Francis jokingly used the term "faggotness" while speaking in Italian during the encounter. He had used the term in reaffirming the Vatican's ban on allowing gay men to enter seminaries and be ordained priests.

Bruni said Francis was aware of the reports and recalled that the Argentine pope, who has made outreach to LGBTQ+ Catholics a hallmark of his papacy, has long insisted there was "room for everyone" in the Catholic Church.

"The pope never intended to offend or express himself in homophobic terms, and he extends his apologies to those who were offended by the use of a term that was reported by others," Bruni said.

Pope Francis | AP

With the statement, Bruni carefully avoided an outright confirmation that the pope had indeed used the term, in keeping with the Vatican's tradition of not revealing what the pope says behind closed doors. But Bruni also didn't deny that Francis had used the term and acknowledged that some people had been offended by it.

Francis was addressing an assembly of the Italian bishops conference, which recently approved a new document outlining training for Italian seminarians. The document, pending review, reportedly sought to open some wiggle room in the Vatican's absolute ban on gay priests by introducing the issue of celibacy as the primary requirement for priests, gay or straight. *AP*

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE is hereby given to the public that my client has intended to purchase the Schedule Property mentioned below from the owner **SRI SHIVA KUMAR SUBBAIAH**, Aged about 42 years, Son of Sri Subbaiah.P **("the Owner")** with respect to the **Vacant Site No.48,** formed in Sy No.44/1, measuring East to West 40 feet & North to South 30 feet in total 1200 Sq. ft., situated at Madanayakanahalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, BNQ, Bangalore (more fully described in the schedule below and hereinafter referred to as the **("Schedule Property").**

Any persons including an individual, a Hindu Undivided Family, a company, banks, non- banking financial institution(s), a firm, an association of persons or a body of individuals whether incorporated or not, lenders and/or creditors having any objection, claim, right, title and/or interest in respect of Schedule Property or any part or portion thereof by way of sale, mortgage, pledge, charge, gift, inheritance, succession, possession, lease, lien, attachment of any nature whatsoever are hereby requested to inform the same in writing, supported with the documents, to the undersigned address within a period of Eleven (11) days from the date of the publication of this notice, failing which, the claim or claims, if any, of such person or persons shall be considered to have been waived and/or abandoned.

Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of the **Vacant Site No.48,** formed in Survey No.44/1, & measuring East to West 40 feet & North to South 30 feet in total 1200 Sq. ft., situated at Madanayakanahalli Village, Dasanapura Hobli, Bangalore North Taluk, Bangalore, presently with in the limits of the Madanayakanahalli City Municipal Council, bounded by **East by :** Site No.37, **West by :** Road, **North by** : Site No.47, **South by :** Site No.49. **Date: May 28, 2024**

Manjunatha Reddy. R, Advocate, No.1932, "Srigandha" 15th A Cross, 9th Main Road, Judicial layout, GKVK Post, Bangalore – 560 065, **vanyaassociates@gmail.com**

DOCUMENTS LOST

This is to inform the general public that my client Mr. Prashant, residing at No. C202, Raj Kishori Complex, Mool Chand Path, Bahadurpur Gumti, Kankarbagh have lost the Original Allotment Letter No.BDA/DS-2/42/II-BLK/BSK.6/2001-2002 of property bearing BDA Vacant Site No. 42, BSK 6th Stage, 2nd Block, layout formed by the BDA, Bangalore, measuring 50x80 sqft in favour S.M. Raju, while he was travelling near HAL Layout on 14-11-2022. Inspite of his best efforts he could not trace the same and in this regard on 14-11-2022, he had lodged police complaint at Police Unit, Bengaluru city, Vide Lost Report No. 0383123/2022. If anybody finds the above said document or is in possession, please handover the same to the above said address or contact him on 7781013392.

SHYAM SUNDAR, Advocate
No. A-301, 3rd Floor, Brigade Majestic, Kalidasa Marg, Gandhinagar, Bangalore-560 009.

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to notify that my client **Jaison C.M** residing at No.10, Bethharan Mist Valley, Gunjur Road, Behind Asha Bhavan, Doddakannelli, Carmalaram Post, Sarjapura Road, Bangalore-560 035, negotiating to purchase the property described in the schedule given hereunder from its original owner G.K.Manjunath, S/o Late Krihsnappa and G.K. Sampangi, S/o. Late Krishnappa, residing at No.331, Kotibeedi, Gunjur Post, Varthur Hobli, Bangalore-560087.

Anybody having any claim over the schedule property may please lodge their objections in writing along with documents within 10 days from the day. If no objections are received to the intended sale transaction within the said time sale will be completed and no claim in respect of the schedule property will be entertained in future from anybody.

SCHEDULE

ITEM NO.1 All that piece and parcel of the Agricultural dry land bearing Sy.No.46/1, measuring 3 acre 10 guntas, situated at Byrasandra Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and the property of the land is bounded on the:**East by:** The rural road goes towards Nagondahalli,
West by: Lands belongs to Lakshmamma and Venkateshappa. **North by:** Lands belongs to Venkatappa and Lakshmamma, **South by:** Land belongs to Narayanappa and Munibovi and Sy.No.46/2 of the land belongs to the vendor.

ITEM NO.2 All that piece and parcel of the Agricultural dry land bearing Sy.No.46/2, measuring 1 acre, situated at Byrasandra Village, Lakkur Hobli, Malur Taluk, Kolar District and the property of the land is bounded on the: **East by:** The rural road goes towards Nagondahalli, **West by;** The land bearing Sy No.46/1 belongs to the Vendor. **North by:** The Land bearing Sy No.46/1 belongs to the Vendor. **South by:** Lands belongs to Narayanappa and Munibovi.

M. R. KRISHNAMURTHY Advocate, No.002, Ground Floor, Lakshmi Oppel Apartment, Opp. St. Peter School, Kaikondrahallai, Sarjapura Main Road, Bangalore-560 035 (M). 9481242908.

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Market Watch

MARKET			GOLD			SILVER			FOREX		
220.05 ▼	Sensex	75,170.45	₹220 ▲	24 carat (10 gm)	₹73,080	₹350 ▲	1 kg	₹96,500	▼ Dollar		83.18
44.30 ▼	Nifty	22,888.15	₹200 ▲	22 carat (10 gm)	₹67,000	₹35 ▲	10 gm	₹965	▲ Euro		90.46

Reliance to purchase Russian oil in roubles

It is likely to purchase 1-2 cargoes a month of low-sulfur crude oil

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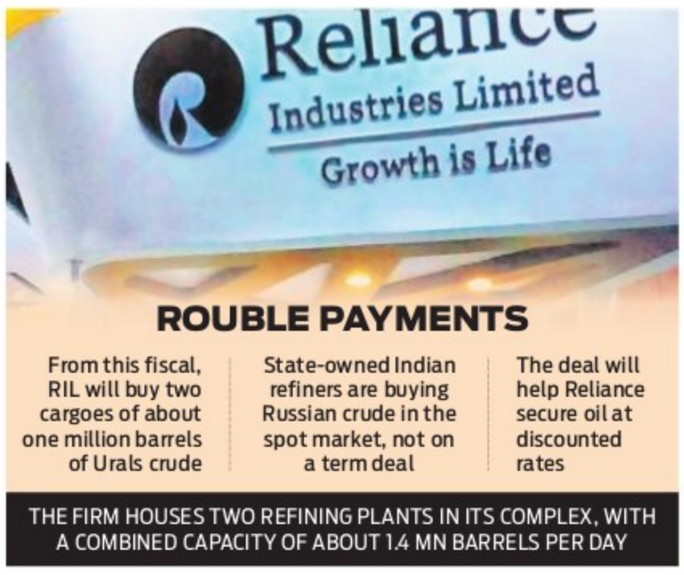

ROUBLE PAYMENTS

- From this fiscal, RIL will buy two cargoes of about one million barrels of Urals crude
- State-owned Indian refiners are buying Russian crude in the spot market, not on a term deal
- The deal will help Reliance secure oil at discounted rates

THE FIRM HOUSES TWO REFINING PLANTS IN ITS COMPLEX, WITH A COMBINED CAPACITY OF ABOUT 1.4 MN BARRELS PER DAY

RELIANCE Industries Limited (RIL), operator of the world's biggest refining complex, is believed to have signed a deal with Russia's Rosneft to buy at least 3 million barrels of oil a month in rouble for the next one year.

According to a report, citing sources, RIL will from this financial year buy two cargoes of about one million barrels of Urals crude with the option to buy four more each month at a discount of $3 a barrel to the Middle East Dubai benchmark.

After Western countries shunned Russian crude following the Russia-Ukraine war, Russia diversified its supply to India and China. Both countries emerged as the biggest beneficiaries of Russian-discounted crude. The oil-to-telecom conglomerate owned by billionaire Mukesh Ambani houses two refining plants in its complex, with a combined capacity of about 1.4 million barrels per day. It is reported that Reliance will purchase 1-2 cargoes a month of low-sulfur crude oil, mainly ESPO Blend exported from Russia's Pacific port of Kozmino, at a premium of $1 a barrel, according to reports.

The company will make payment for the oil using Russia's rouble through India's HDFC Bank and Russia's Gazprombank. It is believed that the term deal will help Reliance secure oil at discounted rates at a time when the OPEC+ group of oil producers is expected to extend voluntary supply cuts beyond June. The OPEC+ group, comprising the Organization of the Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC) and allies including Russia, is due to discuss the output cuts in an online meeting on June 2. The quantum of discounts on Russian crude has come down from $8-10 a barrel last year to around $3-5 a barrel this year. Rating agency ICRA mentioned that the discounted crude from Russia have led to savings in India's oil import bill amounting to $5.1 billion in FY2023 and $7.9 billion in 11 months of FY24. The Indian government was pushing for purchase of Russian Crude in Indian currency. However, due to reluctance of Russian crude sellers, and Russian banks to trade in rupee, those efforts failed to yield any result.

Birla's Novelis files for $945-m US IPO

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BILLIONAIRE Kumar Mangalam Birla's American metals firm Novelis has filed for a $945-million initial public offer, valuing the aluminium firm at $12.6 billion and fixed price band at $18-21 per share.

In an exchange filing on Tuesday, Hindalco, the parent of Novelis, which it had purchased in a multibillion dollar deal in 2007 said the company will offer 45 million shares in a price band of $18-21 per share, which at the upper end will fetch 3,945 million in proceeds.

Novelis is the world's biggest maker of flat-rolled aluminium products used in an array of goods, from cars to soda cans, while parent is the largest in the domestic market and largest in the world in terms of revenue.

The filing and price band fixing follows a May 14 filing by Novelis seeking the registration statement with the US Securities and Exchange Commission. Morgan Stanley, BofA Securities and Citigroup are the lead book-running managers for the proposed issue with Wells Fargo Securities, Deutsche Bank Securities and BMO Capital Markets acting as additional book-running managers. BNP Praibas, Academy Securities, Credit Agricole, PNC Capital Markets and SMBC Nikko are the co-managers. Novelis has applied to list its common shares on the New York Stock Exchange under the ticker NVL. Earlier report said Hindalco was seeking to raise $1.2 billion from Novelis IPO .

Novelis will not receive any proceeds from the sale of common shares fully owned by Hindalco, which will own about 92.5 % stake in the company after post-issue. In a statement issued from Atlanta, Novelis expects the selling shareholder to grant the underwriters an option to purchase up to an additional 6.75 million common shares to cover over-allotments, if any, for 30 days after the date of the final prospectus.

US lobby asks India to rethink its proposed EU-like competition law

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A US lobby group representing tech giants Google, Amazon, and Apple wrote a letter to the Indian government urging the country to rethink its proposed EU-like competition law.

The group, in a letter to the Corporate Affairs Ministry, said that regulations against data use and preferential treatment of partners could raise user costs. "Targeted companies are likely to reduce investment in India, pass on increased prices for digital services, and reduce the range of services," reads the letter of the U.S.-India Business Council (USIBC), part of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce.

In February 2024, India proposed imposing obligations on them under a new antitrust law that proposes to prohibit companies from exploiting non-public data of their users and promoting their own services over rivals, and also abolish restrictions on the downloading of third-party apps. India's Digital Competition Bill is on the lines of the EU's landmark Digital Markets Act 2022. It will apply to big firms, including those with a global turnover of over $30 billion and whose digital services have at least 10 million users locally.

With a population of 1.4 billion people and a growing affluent class, India is a lucrative market for big tech companies. The Competition Commission of India (CCI) in 2022 fined Google $161 million, ordering it to stop restricting users from removing its pre-installed apps and allow downloads without using its app store. Google denies wrongdoing and says such restrictions boost user security.

SpiceJet refutes Maran's ₹1,323 cr claim, calls it legally untenable

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ New Delhi

SPICEJET on Tuesday said that it strongly refutes the claims made by KAL Airways and Kalanithi Maran regarding seeking damages of ₹1,323 crore. These assertions are not only legally untenable but also a regurgitation of previously rejected claims by the Arbitral Tribunal and then the Delhi High Court, the low cost airline said.

The statement by SpiceJet comes a day after media baron Maran and his KAL Airways said that they will seek more than ₹1,323 crore in damages from SpiceJet and its chief Ajay Singh.

Maran and KAL will also challenge the recent Delhi High Court order.

The low cost low- carrier on May 17 received a major relief as a division bench of the Delhi High Court set aside a single judge's order that had upheld an arbitral award requiring SpiceJet and Singh to refund ₹579 crore plus interest to Maran.

SpiceJet said that it is important to note that KAL and Maran initially sought damages of more than ₹1,300 crore during the arbitration proceedings. "This claim was thoroughly examined and subsequently rejected by a panel of three retired Supreme Court judges. Following this, KAL Airways and Kalanithi Maran appealed to the Single-Judge Bench of the Delhi High Court, seeking the same amount in damages, which was again rejected by the court."

"Notably, they chose not to pursue any appeal before the appellate jurisdiction and consequently, the matter attained finality. This matter is devoid of any merit and appears to be an endeavour to sensationalise the issue and mislead the public," said the low cost carrier.

Link PAN with Aadhaar before May 31: Tax dept

MONIKA YADAV @ New Delhi

THE Income Tax Department has recently sent out a reminder to taxpayers, emphasising the importance of linking their PAN with Aadhaar by May 31, 2024. This latest notification by the department underscores the necessity of meeting the deadline to prevent higher tax deducted at source (TDS).

"Kind attention taxpayers, please link your PAN with Aadhaar before May 31, 2024... Linking your PAN with your Aadhaar by May 31 ensures you don't face higher tax deduction/tax collection under Section 206AA and 206CC of the Income Tax Act, 1961, due to an inoperative PAN for transactions entered into before March 31, 2024," the tax department said in a post on social media platform X.

According to Chetan Daga, who is a chartered accountant and founder of AdvantEdge Consulting, the original due date to link PAN and Aadhaar was March 31, 2024, which was then extended to May 31, 2024. "If PAN and Aadhaar are not linked, incomes received by the taxpayer will suffer higher TDS at 20% instead of 10%," he said. Failure to link PAN with Aadhaar could have a significant impact on income tax return (ITR)

filings, with the deadline for filing ITR set for July 31, 2024. The income tax department emphasised the necessity of linking PAN with Aadhaar in a circular issued on April 23, 2024, outlining the rules and potential repercussions of not linking the two. In addition, the deadline to file SFT (Statement of Specified Financial Transactions) is also May 31, 2024. The tax department advised taxpayers to avoid penalties by filing accurately and on time. SFT is to be filed by specified persons such as sub-registrar, cooperative bank, postmaster general, insurer of bonds/debentures and others, banking company, non-banking financial company (NBFC), and Nidhi, by May 31 every year. "For delay in filing SFT, you may be liable for penalty upto ₹1,000 for each day of default," the department said.

ASIANOMICS

MALAYSIA

GOVT AIMS $100 BN INVESTMENT IN SEMICONDUCTOR

Malaysia is targeting at least 500 billion ringgit ($107 billion) in investment for its semiconductor industry, Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim said on Tuesday, as the Southeast Asian country looks to position itself as a global manufacturing hub. Malaysia is a major player in the semiconductor industry, accounting for 13% of global testing and packaging. It has attracted multibillion-dollar investments from leading firms in recent years, including Intel and Infineon. Anwar said the investment being sought would be for integrated circuit design, advanced packaging and manufacturing equipment for semiconductor chips.

SRI LANKA

CENTRAL BANK HOLDS INTEREST RATES

Sri Lanka's central bank held interest rates steady on Tuesday to ensure inflation pressures remain in check as authorities look to foster economic stability and lift growth following the South Asian nation's worst financial crisis in decades. The Central Bank of Sri Lanka (CBSL) kept the Standing Deposit Facility Rate at 8.50% and the Standing Lending Facility Rate at 9.50%, it said in a statement. The decision surprised some in the market as eight out of 15 economists and analysts polled by Reuters had projected rates to be cut by 50 basis points. "Incoming data suggests that headline inflation is likely to be below the targeted level of 5% in the upcoming months due to the combined impact of the administered price adjustments and eased food prices," the central bank said.

SOUTH KOREA

GOVT PLANS DETAILED TAX INCENTIVES

South Korea's finance minister said authorities would put forward detailed tax incentives under corporate reforms aimed at boosting the value of listed companies after seeking more feedback from market participants in coming months. Minister Choi Sang-mok also pledged in a media pool report released on Tuesday that the government would continue efforts to support the country's crucial chip industry. Since the initial proposal fell short of market expectations, South Korea has said it will follow up with tax cuts on corporate income for companies that raise shareholder returns and on dividend income for shareholders in the firms.

RBI launches app for retail G-Secs trade

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THE Reserve Bank has launched a mobile app for retail customers of government bonds, a portal to apply online for various regulatory approvals and a fintech repository.

Launching the three major initiatives on Tuesday, governor Shaktikanta Das said the retail direct mobile app will provide retail investors a seamless and convenient access to the retail direct platform and provide ease of transacting in government securities (G-Secs).

The RBI had in November 2021 launched a retail direct portal to facilitate retail investors to open their retail direct gilt accounts with the RBI under the retail direct scheme. The scheme allows retail investors to buy G-Secs in the primary auctions as well as buy and sell them in the secondary market.

With mobile app, retail investors of G-Secs can now transact using the app. Launching the Pravaah portal, Das said this will make it convenient for any individual or entity to apply online for various regulatory approvals in a seamless manner. Currently, 60 application forms covering different regulatory and supervisory departments of the RBI are made available on the portal.

Adani Group to foray into payments services; ties up with ICICI Bank

DIPAK MONDAL @ New Delhi

ADANI Group would soon enter into payment services as it is likely to collaborate with ICICI Bank for a co-branded credit card, financial industry sources told TNIE.

The co-branded credit card could be used to avail several retail services offered by the group like payment for airport lounges, electricity and gas services. The launch is scheduled in the first week of next month.

The company is also likely to consolidate its digital services through its super app – Adani One -- which was launched in 2022.

Sources in the industry said that the super app launched by Adanis has not made much headway, and the latest efforts by the company are to revive its super app. Meanwhile, a Financial Times report on Tuesday said that the Adani One app, part of its consumer-facing businesses, is reportedly in talks to expand into e-commerce as well. The Adani Group, which is primarily in infrastructure and energy business, has limited presence in the consumer space. Industry sources said that the company might use its tie-up with ICICI Bank to enter both e-commerce as well as payment services business.

Meanwhile, in an exchange filing, Adani Enterprises on Tuesday said its board has approved fundraising of ₹16,600 crore through the qualified institutional placement (QIP) route or other permissible mode in one or more tranches.

'Over 20,000 techies lost jobs in silent layoffs'

ENS ECONOMIC BUREAU @ Bengaluru

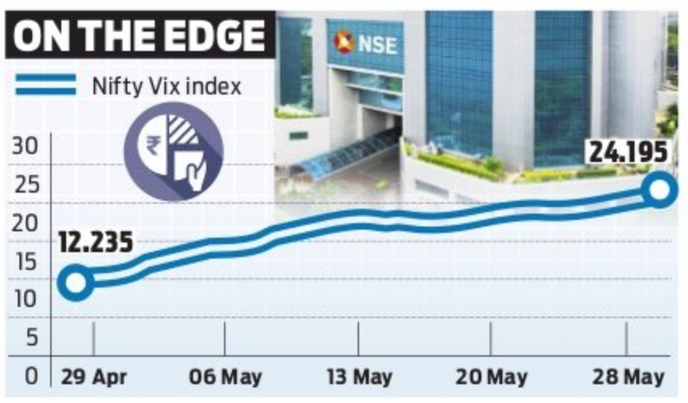
MORE than 20,000 employees in the IT/ITeS industry have lost their jobs in 'silent' layoffs in FY24 alone, according to the All India IT & ITeS Employees' Union (AIITEU). "This is just the tip of the iceberg and there are many other problems in the industry including delayed onboarding, no payment for overtime, no local point of contact for employees working from hometown and announcement of failure of background verification after employees have joined the organisation," General secretary of AIITEU Saubhik Bhattacharya told TNIE.

According to the association, the actual numbers will be over 20,000. It is also said that companies force employees to resign as they can cut costs by avoiding severance packages. Nascent Information Technology Employees Senate (NITES) president Harpreet Singh Saluja said that in the first five months of this year alone about 2,000 to 3,000 employees have lost their jobs. "Also, these silent layoffs happen across locations, cities and projects. For instance, if there are 80 members in a project, two to three people are fired citing various reasons," he said.

"In India's IT industry, quiet firing nudges employees to leave on their own, dodging the stigma of layoffs. It's also to avoid talented staff from seeking other jobs when layoffs are announced. This method however, creates a demoralising work environment and undermines trust and respect, eroding the company's ethical foundation. To avoid this, clear communication between companies and employees is crucial," said Anup Menon - VP of CIEL HR Services.

Mkt volatility peaks despite hope in Modi's win

ARSHAD KHAN @ New Delhi



DESPITE increased volatility in the stock market over concerns related to the general election outcome that is due on June 4, most brokerages continue to view that Prime Minister Narendra Modi-led National Democratic Alliance (NDA) will comfortably form the central government for the third straight time.

"Amid concerns over policy continuity, we expect the BJP to comfortably retain its majority in the ongoing Lok Sabha general elections...Based on our assessment of major states on Pan India basis, we see a net incremental loss of 4 seats to 299 for BJP in our base case while our bear and bull case seat tally is in a narrow range of 290 to 310," said analysts at JM Financials on Tuesday.

The volatility index, India VIX, rose over 5% intraday on Tuesday to hit a fresh two-year high of 24.48. The index, which measures the market's expectation of volatility in the next 30 days, has been going up since the 2024 Lok Sabha elections took off last month.

In one month, it has surged 124% as lower voter turnout in six phases completed so far has raised questions about whether the ruling party would win a strong margin which is necessary for the continuity of market-friendly policies. "As the market approaches the election outcome, the uncertainty-led volatility is likely to continue. However, the underlying earnings growth for the March quarter results so far was largely above expectations, which could support the valuation, currently moderately above the long-term average," said Vinod Nair, head of research at Geojit Financial Services.

Emkay Investment Managers (EIM) on Tuesday said that an expected return of the NDA regime with a base case scenario of 330 seats will result in policy continuity along with major reforms on land, labour, and judiciary will support positive sentiment in the Indian markets.

Manish Sonthalia, Chief Investment Officer of EIM said, "BFSI, PSUs, and industrials are expected to do well. BFSI has led the earnings growth and seen a correction in valuation. Investment-related themes will come into play with power capex building up in the next 3 to 5 years."

The benchmark Sensex closed the Tuesday session at 75,171, a decline of 220 points, while the Nifty50 index ended the session at 22,888, a drop of 44 points. Besides elections, the Indian markets have been jittery due to continuous selling by foreign portfolio investors (FPIs).

Global brokerage UBS has highlighted four scenarios of the election outcome and said that the INDIA alliance coming to power is a big negative for equities.

It added that stock market valuations may get derated in this scenario and a test of pre-NDA valuation multiples is likely.

PUBLIC NOTICE

My client intends to Purchase the Property described in the Schedule below, from one Mr. A. Shahabuddin. And any person/s having any objections, claims, rights title or interest in or against by way of inheritance, mortgage, possession, sale, gift, lease, lien charges, trust or easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known, in writing along with documentary proof, to the undersigned, within 15 days from the date hereof, failing which the claim of such person/s shall be deemed to be waived and/or abandoned or given up and the same shall not be entertained thereafter, and the sale shall be completed between my Client and the Vendors.

Schedule Property

All that piece and parcel of property measuring 0-26 guntas in old Sy. No.8 New Sy.No.8/1 of Kammanahalli Village, Beguru Hobli, Bangaluru South Taluk and bounded on:

East by : Land belongs to Madaiah,
West by : Tank Bund,
North by : Land belongs to Kuppuswamy,
South by : Land belongs to Doddamotappa and Chikkamotappa and remaining land of Sy No.8.

Sd/- **Sri. Shivkumara H.**, Advocate,
No.5, Richmond Road, Bangalore-560026.
Ph. No. 9945060086

PUBLIC NOTICE

The notice is hereby given to public that our client **Mr. Syed Ali Akbar has lost registered sale deed bearing Doc. No. 8389/1993-94 at Cholanayakanahalli.**

If any person or persons or financial institution or Bank has any claim over the schedule property or any person or persons claim any right, title or interest, over the schedule property, the same may be lodged with the undersigned within seven days from today, along with relevant documents, failing which it will be presumed that the schedule property is free from any such claim and any claim received thereafter will not bind my client and would not be considered by my client.

SCHEDULE :

All that piece and parcel of the property bearing Site No.32, Khatha No.630, Situated at Cholanayakanahalli Village, Kasaba Hobli, Bengalore North Taluk, measuring 30x20 ft in all measuring 600 sqft, and bounded on the: East by : Site No.32 [Remained portion], West by: 25 Feet Road, North by : Private Property, and South by: Site No.29.

V.L. Associates
Advocates
No.56, Out House, 19th Main Road, 2nd Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore-560 010. Ph: 94819 00851/ 9743323668.
Place: Bangalore Date: 28.05.2024

PUBLIC NOTICE

GENERAL PUBLIC are hereby informed and notified that my client intend to purchase the below mentioned property from Smt. A. Bhagyalakshmi, W/o. Sri. B.N. Ramachandra, No.2, 18th main road, next to Apollo Pharmacy, Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore-560 070. General public are hereby notified that any person/s or in general any public, having any rights, title and interests over the below mentioned property shall file suitable objections with the undersigned along with documentary proof, within SEVEN DAYS from the date of publication of this notice or else my client shall proceed to complete the transaction.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of portion of the immovable property bearing site No.9, carved out the lands in survey No.39/2, Chikkalasandra Village, Uttrahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore, in the layout formed by The Vittalanagar House Building Co-operative Society Limited, Bangalore, earlier under the Limits of BMP having assigned with Municipal No.9/2, 18th main road, Revenue Layout, Padmanabhanagar (South), Chikkalasandra, Bangalore, assigned to Ward No.55, now within the limits of BBMP having assigned with 2, old No.9, 18th main road, Revenue Layout, Padmanabhanagar (South), Bangalore, having PID No.55-92-2, assigned Ward No.55, Ward Name Padmanabhanagar, Bangalore, and the site measuring East to West : 45 feet, North to South : 30 feet totally measuring 1350 Sq.feet, along with building consisting of stilt, ground, first, second and terrace floors, with all amenities therein and being bounded on the East by : Private property, West by : Road, North by : Site No.8, South by : Site No.9A.

R.N.NARASIMHA, Advocate
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PUBLIC NOTICE

My client by name **N. Venkataswamy** S/o Late Nillegowda intends to get register sale deed from the original vendor Sri.B. Gopalkrishna Hebbar and others in respect of commercial property bearing Site No.2, Khatha No.1002/581/2, Property No. 37-17-122A Measuring to an extent of East to West: 6.1 mts and North to South: 23.16+22.90/2 mts totally measuring 1510 sq.ft situated at 4th Division, 22nd Ward, Near Prashanth Nagar, Bychapur Road, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District which is morefully described in the Schedule and hereinafter called the Schedule Property anybody having right, title claim demand whatsoever rights in accordance with the law in respect of the Schedule Property are hereby called upon to submit their objections in writing together with documentary proof to establish their claim, this should reach to undersigned within **7 days** from the date of this notice, if any objections claims are not received in this stipulated time, it shall be presumed that no one has got any right, title claim upon the Schedule Property and my client will proceed to compete the sale transaction.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the commercial property bearing Site No.2, Khatha No. 1002/581/2, Property No. 37-17-122A Measuring to an extent of East to West: 6.1 mts and North to South: 23.16+ 22.90/2 mts totally measuring 1510 sq.ft situated at 4th Division, 22nd Ward, Near Prashanth Nagar, Bychapur Road, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District and bounded on: **East by:** 60ft Road, **West by:** Private Property, **North by:** Remaining Part of Site No.2, **South by:** Site No.1;

Sri. S. MOHAN BABU, Advocate
Office at Opp. Gayathri Clinic, Near New Bus Stand, Devanahalli Town, Bangalore Rural District, Mobile:9902831399

BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL -II AT BENGALURU,

BSNL Building, 4th Floor, Telephone House, Rajbhavan Road, Bangalore–560 001.

O.A. No. 929 / 2023

Between:Canara Bank, Yelachenahalli Branch, Bangalore ...**Applicant**

And

M/s. D. P. Distributors, Prop: S. A. Girish, Having Place of Business at 9/11, Shed No. 7, Ramaraju Garden, Opp. Sai Ram HPTL, Ganapathipura, Bangalore - 560 078, Ph: 8105551516 ...**Defendants**

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VIII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES, 1993

Whereas, the Applicant has instituted an Application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act of 1993, against you for recovery of a sum of **Rs.21,41,618.84** (Rupees. Twenty One Lakhs Forty one Thousand Six Hundred Eighteen and Paise Eighty Four only), together with current and future interest and other relief/s.

The above defendant is therefore , hereby directed to before the Tribunal in person or through an Advocate or through authorised agents in support of their defence to show cause within 30 days from the date of publication or on the **15.07.2024** at **10:30 AM** as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in case of default, the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Hon'ble Tribunal, on this the **17.05.2024.**

Sd/-Registrar
Debts Recovery Tribunal -2, Bangalore

EAST COAST RAILWAY

CORRIGENDUM-1 to Tender No.:- SNTPBBS-042024-VSS

The Corrigendum/Changes/Modification has been made against the above mentioned tender notice.

Previous Description	Modified/Description/ Should be read as
Are Joint Venture (JV) Firms allowed to Bid: NO	Are Joint Venture (JV) Firms allowed to Bid: YES

For detailed corrigendum please visit website: www.ireps.gov.in. All other terms & conditions will remain unchanged.

Asst. Signal & Telecom Engineer/Proj.-I/
PR-20/CH/24-25 Bhubaneswar

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to bring the notice of the General Public that my client, Sri.BABU.S S/o Sri.Shyamu.C, Aged about 35 years, Residing at No.35, 4th Cross, HSR Layout, Behind Venkataramana Swamy Temple, Agara, Bangalore – 560 102., is hereby intending to purchase the Property described in the schedule below, and he has entered in to a sale agreement, from the present owners, Smt.Rani and Smt.Priya, and is now availing loan from Piramal Housing Finance Limited, in respect of the,

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

All that piece and parcel of the Residential Property of the 1) Western Portion of the Property bearing Residential Vacant Site No.49, Katha No.363, Assessment No.49/1, B.B.M.P Katha No.49/1/49, Katha Sl.No.352, Measuring East to West 15 Feet and North to South 50 Feet, Totally Measuring 750 Square Feet, and 2) Eastern Portion of the Property bearing Residential Vacant Site No.49, Katha No.363, Assessment No.49/1, Present B.B.M.P Katha No.49/1/49, Katha Sl.No.425, Measuring East to West 15 Feet and North to South 50 Feet, Totally Measuring 750 Square Feet, both the properties clubbed together having Site No.49, Katha No.363, Assessment No.49/1, Situated at PARAPPANA AGRAHARA VILLAGE, Begur Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, Bangalore District, Presently within the jurisdiction of Bruhath Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike, Bangalore., Ward No.191., both the properties amalgamated as Measuring East to West 30 Feet, and North to South 50 Feet, Totally Measuring 1500 Square Feet and and bounded on East by : Site No.50 and 51, West by : Site No.48, North by : Site No.53 and South by : 30 Feet Road.

Any person/s having objection/s or claims, with respect to the schedule property, may with documentary evidence, lodge their objections/claims within seven days from the date of this notice with the undersigned, where after no further claims will be entertained and or the same will be deemed to have been waived or abandoned.

Contact:
Sri.H.R.Jayashekara Reddy, Advocate
No.348, 6th Main, 15 'A' Cross, 6th Sector, H.S.R.Layout, Bangalore – 560 102.
Mob. 9880715022

PUBLIC NOTICE

This is to inform General public that my client **V. KOTESWARA REDDY** S/o.V.BALAKOTA REDDY (Aadhaar no.3279 7493 9607) residing at 108,3 Cross, UAS LAYOUT, Nagashetty halli, Bangalore -560094 Mobile No.9902797799,9742698064 intends to purchase the schedule property from Smt. ANITHA V. (AAdhaar no.9336 7223 7972) W/o P.S. RAJASHEKARA, residing at No.188/H, old No.209A,4th Cross,5th Block, Near Bhuvneshwari Nagar Park, Banashankari 3rd stage, Bangalore-560 085.

The said Schedule property acquired by the Smt. ANITHA V. Under the reged. Sale deed from Sunita Machetty. The said regd. as document BOOK No.1, regd. No. YAN-1-14972-2022-23 in CD No. YAND1748, Dt.18.03.2023 in the office of the Sub-registrar YELAHANKA Bangalore.

Apart from the said owners , any person/s or from CHITTURI SUJATHA & B.RANGAPPA and their Lrs or family members claiming to have any charge, any rights title , estate or interest, claim, by way of inheritance share, sale mortgage, guarantee, legal heirs right, attachment, transfer, assignment, lease, lien, interest, minor claims, partition rights, lis-pendens charge, trust, gift, possession or encumbrance, beneficial interest, decree or orders of any court of law, contracts, or otherwise however, into or upon the said schedule property or any part or portion thereof, or against the owner/s or against the documents, whatsoever over the schedule property may lodge their claim to the undersigned with documentary proof which they are basing claim within **10 days** from the date of publication of this notice failing which my client will treat that there are no objections or claims in respect of the schedule property, No claims shall be entertained thereafter.

SCHEDULE

All that part and parcel of the property bearing Vacant Plot bearing No.31, Khatha No.132/31 E-Swathu khatha property No.150200200900500145 as per Gramapanchyath Resolution no.5-27/02/2023 forming Portion of 'AIRPORT COUNTY' (Formerly SANCTUARY 2000) in converted formed in Sy. No.79 of Begur village, Jala Hobli, Yelahanka Taluk Bangalore dist. vide order No. BDIS/ALN/SR/NA/217/1995-96 Dt.27.03.1996 and plan approved and released by No; BIAAPA/LAO/BN/20/97-98 Dt.28.11.1997 measuring East to west: 24.384 Mtr. Or 80 feet, North to south:15.24Mtr. 50 feet in all measuring 371.61 sq.Mtrs or 4000 sq.feet. bounded On: **East by:** Site No.38, **West by:** ROAD, **North by:** Site No.32, **South by:** Site No.30

C.SRINIVASA,
Advocate & Notary
No.61/1, IInd floor, 8th Cross, Channakeshava complex, Malleswaram, Bangalore-560 003. M: 9342040439

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOST OF DOCUMENTS

I, Lakshmi Narayanan (Address- H408, Mantri Alpyne, Banashankari, Dr. Vishnuvardhan Road, 5th Stage, Subramanyapura, Bengaluru, Karnataka 560061) have lost my Original Degree Certificate of B.Tech issued on May 2003 (Computer Science and Engg, Register number - 10200319) issued from CUSAT, Kochi. If found, please contact 9901853128, 9886262509

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CORRIGENDUM TO TENDER NOTICE No.C/SG/C/36/5/394

PUB/0505

For an on Behalf of the President of India, Deputy Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer (Projects) S.C.Railway, Secunderabad issues **CORRIGENDUM TO TENDER NOTICE No.C/SG/C/36/5/394**

CORRIGENDUM No.1.
C/SG/C/36/5/394 dt: 22.05.2024

Tender value to be read as **Rs.123,42,17,917.24** instead of **Rs. 123,53,44,326.90** and accordingly Earnest money deposit to be read as **Rs.61,71,100.00** instead of **Rs.61,76,800.00.**

Please visit Indian Government tender Portal Website www.ireps.gov.in for all particulars including Full Description of the work, Corrigendum, tender conditions, eligibility criteria and details, downloading of tender document of the above works.

Dy.Chief Signal & Telecom Engineer (P), Secunderabad

Tender Notice No. B/E.29-TRD-TNDR-04-2024-25 Dt.24.05.2024

PUB/0506

Tenders are invited in IREPS by the undersigned for the following works.

Sl.No.: 01 **Tender No.:** B/E.29-TRD-TNDR-04-2024-25 **Name of work :** Vijayawada Division: SW-I Vijayawada Division: BZA-VSKP section: KYM-Provision of New Foot Over Bridge with 3m wide at Kadiyam station. SW-II Vijayawada Division: BZA-VSKP section: TDD-Replacing of existing with New Foot Over Bridge with 3m wide at TDD station. SW-III Vijayawada Division: BZA-VSKP section: TUNI-Provision of 2nd Foot Over Bridge with 6m wide at TUNI station. SW-IV Vijayawada Division: BZA-VSKP section: YLM-Provision of New Foot Over Bridge with 3m wide at Elamanchili station. **Approx. Value** (₹): 21,76,893/- **Bid Security (EMD)** (₹): 43,500/- **Completion period :** 12 Months **Date of closing:** 18.06.2024 at 15.00 Hrs.

S.No. 1 - Cost of Tender form (₹): Nil

Sr.Divisional Electrical Engineer/
A0642 TrD/Vijayawada

For further tender conditions / details and for downloading the tender documents, Please visit website at https://www.ireps.gov.in or www.scr.indianrailways.gov.in

Can Fin Homes Ltd

Hesaraghatta Road Branch
No. 765, 1st Floor , 60 feet Road, MEI Layout, Bagalagunte, Hesaraghatta Road, Bangalore-560073
Mob: 7625079153, Ph: 080- 28390315
E-mail Id: hesaraghatta@canfinhomes.com
CIN:L85110KA1987PLC008699

Hesaraghatta Road Branch

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES
[proviso to rule 9(1)]

E-auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 9(1) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

NOTICE is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, the physical possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Can Fin Homes Ltd. Hesaraghatta Road Branch, will be sold on "As is where is", "As is what is", and "Whatever there is" on **18.06.2024** for recovery of **Rs.70,98,537/-** (Rupees Seventy lakhs ninety eight Thousand five hundred and thirty seven) due to Can Fin Homes Ltd. From **Mr.Suresh M And Mrs. Nandini N** (Borrowers), **Ms/Mrs. Swetha S R** (Guarantor) as on 28.05.2024 together with further interest and other charges thereon.

The reserve price will be **Rs.17,25,000/-** (Rupees Seventeen Lakhs Twenty Five Thousand only) and the earnest money deposit will be **Rs.1,72,500/-** (Rupees One lakh seventy-Two thousand Five Hundred Only).

Description of the Immovable Property

All that piece and parcel of an immovable residential property bearing Flat No F-5, 1st Floor, NeerajApartments, SRS Layout, Admeasuring 765 Sqft Super Built up area, with 1/28th (184.50 Sft) of Undivided Share of Land In Site Nos. 16,17,18,19,20 And 21, 11B Property No 150200203400120669, Khatha No.308, Formed In Converted Sy.no 9/2, Situated at Gulladahalli@ Kereguddadahalli Village, Yeshwanthpura Hobli, Bengaluru North Taluk, Bengaluru Bounded on: East:Item No 1: 25-0 feet road, 25.0 item no 2:25-0 feet road, Item No 3: 25-0 feet road, Item No 4:Site No 18, Item No 5:Site No 17 & Item No 6: Site No 16. West: Item No 1:Site No 21, Item No 2:Site No 20, Item No 3: Site No 19, Item No 4:25-0 Feet Road, Item No 5:25-0 Feet Road, Item No 6: 25 Feet Road. South: Item No 1:Road, Item No 2: Site No 16, Item No 3:Site No 17, Item No 4:Site No 20, Item No 5:Site No 21 & Item No 6: Road, North: Item No 1:Site No 17, Item No 2:Site No 18, Item No 3:Private property, Item No 4: Private Property, Item No 5:Site No 19, Item No 6: Site No 20.

Encumbrances : Nil

The detailed terms and condition of sale are provided in the official website of Can Fin Homes Ltd., (www.canfinhomes.com). Please refer to the following link https://www.canfinhomes.com/SearchAuction.aspx
Link to participating in E-auction: - https://sarfaesi.auctiontiger.net

Sd/-
Date: 28.05.2024 **Authorised Officer**
Place : Bengaluru Can Fin Homes Ltd.

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Piramal Capital & Housing Finance

CIN: L65910MH1984PLC032639
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Branch Office : No. 13, Old No. 5, 1st Main Road Near Kodava Samaja, Vasanth Nagar Bengaluru, Karnataka - 560052
Contact Person: 1. Mr Anand Kumar N:- 9538534358 2. Ramana Venkata L Rao - 9849271633 3. Vishal Ketele - 9584966653

E-Auction Sale Notice - Subsequent Sale

Pursuant to taking possession of the secured asset mentioned hereunder by the Authorized Officer of Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited under the **Securitization and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002** for the recovery of amount due from borrower/s, offers are invited by the undersigned for purchase of immovable property, as described hereunder, which is in the physical possession, on **'As Is Where Is Basis', 'As Is What Is Basis' and 'Whatever Is There Is Basis'**, Particulars of which are given below:

Loan Code/Branch/ Borrower(s) / Co-Borrower(s)/ Guarantor(s)	Demand Notice Date and Amount	Property Address _final	Reserve Price	Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) (10% of RP)	Outstanding Amount (28-05-2024)
Loan Code No.: 21400043708, Bengaluru - Jayanagar (Branch), G H Srinivas (Borrower), Muthyalamma H (Co Borrower 1)	Dt : 10-08-2021, Rs. 14038286/-, (Rs. One Crore Forty lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Two Hundred Eighty Six Only)	All The piece and Parcel of the Property having an extent :- Site No 78 Assessment No 189 Katha No 189 78 Kattigenahalli Village Jala Hobli Ganesh Temple Bangalore Karnataka 560064 Boundaries As :- North:- Site No 77 South :- Site No 79 east :- Site No 61 West :- Road	Rs. 11438010/-, (Rs. One Crore Fourteen lakh Thirty Eight Thousand Ten Rupees)	Rs. 1143801/-, (Rs. Eleven lakh Forty Three Thousand Eight Hundred One Rupees)	Rs. 21518174/-, (Rs. Two Crore Fifteen lakh Eighteen Thousand One Hundred Seventy Four Rupees)

DATE OF E-AUCTION : 14-06-2024, FROM 11.00 A.M. TO 1.00 P.M (WITH UNLIMITED EXTENSION OF 5 MINUTES EACH), LAST DATE OF SUBMISSION OF BID : 13-06-2024, BEFORE 4.00 P.M.

For detailed terms and conditions of the Sale, please refer to the link provided in www.piramalfinance.com/e-Auction.html or email us on piramal.auction@piramal.com

STATUTORY 15 DAYS SALE NOTICE UNDER SARFAESI ACT TO THE BORROWER/GUARANTOR / MORTGAGOR

The above mentioned Borrower/Guarantor are hereby noticed to pay the sum as mentioned in section 13(2) notice in full with accrued interest till date before the date of auction, failing which property will be auctioned/sold and balance dues if any will be recovered with interest and cost from borrower/guarantor.

Date : 29.05.2024 Sd/- (Authorised Officer)
Place : Bengaluru Piramal Capital & Housing Finance Limited

Canara Bank

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Syndicate

General Administration Section: Circle Office Manipal, 3rd Floor, Canara Bank Circle Office Building, Manipal-576 104, Udupi Dist. Karnataka, Ph: 0820-2570909, E-mail: gacompl@canarabank.com

NOTICE INVITING TENDER

CANARA BANK INVITES OFFER FOR SELECTION OF ARCHITECT FOR CONSTRUCTION OF STAFF QUARTERS AT MANIPAL- 576 104

The application can be accessed through Bank's website www.canarabank.com, www.gerpegov.com/CANARABANK and http://eprocure.gov.in.

Last date for submission of tender through online: 20.06.2024 3:00 PM

The Bank reserves the right to reject all or any application without assigning any reason whatsoever. Further, communications, corrigendum, amendments, if any, will be hosted in Bank's website only.

Place: Manipal
Date : 29.05.2024 **Asst. General Manager**

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Zonal Stressed Assets Recovery Branch, 7th Floor, Vijaya Tower, 41/2, M G Road, Trinity Circle, Bengaluru-560001.
Phone: 080-25011280/286/350, e-mail: armban@bankofbaroda.co.in, Website: www.bankofbaroda.in

SALE NOTICE FOR SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES "APPENDIX- IV-A [See proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6)]

E-Auction Sale Notice for Sale of Immovable Assets under the Securitisation and Reconstruction of Financial Assets and Enforcement of Security Interest Act, 2002 read with proviso to Rule 6 (2) & 8 (6) of the Security Interest (Enforcement) Rules, 2002.

Notice is hereby given to the public in general and in particular to the Borrower (s), Mortgagor (s) and Guarantor (s) that the below described immovable property mortgaged/charged to the Secured Creditor, possession of which has been taken by the Authorised Officer of Bank of Baroda, Secured Creditor, will be sold on **"As is where is"** and **"As is what is"and "Whatever there is"** basis for recovery of dues in below mentioned account/s. The details of Borrower/s/Mortgagor/Guarantor/s/Secured Asset/s/Dues/Reserve Price/e-Auction date & Time, EMD and Bid Increase Amount are mentioned below -

Name & address of Borrower/s/ Guarantor/ Mortgagor/s	Description of the Immovable property	Total Dues	Date & time of e-Auction	1) Reserve Price, 2) Earnest Money Deposit (EMD) 3) Bid Increase Amount	Status of Possession (Constructive/ Physical) Property	Property Inspection Date & Time
1. M/S Sriven Properties, having its registered office at Sriven Rag Landmark, #2, 5th floor, Wilson Garden, Hosur Road, Bengaluru 560027 **2. Mr. T J Raghavendra Murthy** Residing at #1088,Sriven Mansion Near Manipal Hospital BEML Layout 5th Stage Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore-560098 **3. Mrs. C R Madhu** Residing at #1088,Sriven Mansion Near Manipal Hospital BEML Layout 5thStage Rajarajeshwari Nagar Bangalore-560098	**1.** All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 106 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1069 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open space and Flat no. 107 South: Open Space and Flat no. 105.	**Rs. 6,45,69,696.37/-** (Rupees Six Crores Forty Five Lakhs Sixty Nine Thousand Six Hundred Ninety Six And Paise Thirty Seven Only) as on 25-05-2024 plus Further interest and other charges	**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.35,79,012.00** EMD: **3,57,901.20** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	2. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 107 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1227 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space and Flat no. 106		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.41,07,996.00** EMD: **4,10,799.60** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	3. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 108 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1200 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6,BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor and Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space and Corridor		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.40,17,600.00** EMD: **4,01,760.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	4. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 109 Ground Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1625Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division, Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor and Open Space North: Open space South: Open to space, staircase and corridor		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs.54,40,500.00** EMD: **5,44,050.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	5. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 204 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1064 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Open Space and Flat no. 203 West: Open Space and Flat No:205 North: Entrance Lobby South: Open Space		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 35,62,272.00** EMD: **3,56,227.20** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	6. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 208 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1200 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Open Space North: Open Space South: Open Space		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 40,17,600.00** EMD: **4,01,760.00** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	7. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 210 First Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1407 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division,Site No.11,2&6,BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Entrance Lobby West: Corridor North: Open Space South: Corridor.		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 47,10,636.00** EMD: **4,71,063.60** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**
	8. All that piece and parcel of the residential property bearing Flat No. 402 Third Floor of residential apartment complex named as **"SRIVEN RAG METROPOLE"** having super build up area of 1064 Sq.ft situated at Gollahalli Village, Uttarahalli Hobli, Bangalore South Taluk, presently under the limits of ward no:196, Gollahalli Ward Konanakunte Sub Division, Site No.11,2&6, BBMP katha No:15/23/2/1, carved out of converted land bearing Sy.No:23/2A (Converted vide official memorandum bearing B.DIS.ALN.SR (S). 131/2004-05 dated:03.07.2004 issued by the Deputy Commissioner, Bangalore District, Bangalore) constructed on land measuring 14039 Sq.Ft in the name of M/s Sriven property, bounded on East: Open Space and Flat no. 401 West: Open Space and Flat No.403 North: Entrance Lobby South: Open Space		**25.06.2024 & From 02:00 PM to 06:00 PM**	Reserve Price: **Rs. 35,62,272.00/-** EMD: **3,56,227.20/-** Bid Increment Amount: **Rs. 50,000/-** **SCAN HERE For detailed terms & conditions**	**Physical Possession**	**Date of Inspection: 18.06.2024 Time: 11:00 AM to 04:00PM**

For detailed terms and conditions of sale, please refer/visit to the website link **https://www.bankofbaroda.in/e-auction.htm** and **https://ibapi.in**. Also, prospective bidders may contact the Authorised officer on Tel No. 080-25011280/286/350 Mobile: 8420993772.

Date: 27.05.2024, Place: Bengaluru **Sd/- Authorized Officer, ZOSAR Branch, Bengaluru, Bank of Baroda**

PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice is hereby given to the general public that the **M/s Trishul Builders and Promoters** represented by its Proprietor Narendra Kumar Byragani, residing at No.501, 5th Floor, 4th Cross, Happy homes-1, Electronic City Phase-1, Bangalore -560100 ['Developer'] have entered into Joint Development Agreement dated 03/08/2023 registered as Document No. ABL-1-04949/2023-24, Book 1, stored in data cell in the office of the Senior Sub-registrar Basavanagudi (Attibele), Anekal Taluk with V. Murali and V. Sreedhar Reddy ['Owners'] with a sharing basis of 40% to the share to the Owners and 60% to the share of Developer and in terms of the JDA, the Owners have executed General Power of Attorney dated 03/08/2023 registered as Document No. ABL-4-00101/2023-24, Book 4, stored in data cell in the office of the Senior Sub-registrar, Basavanagudi (Attibele) Anekal Taluk and thereby Owners entrusted the development of the residentially converted lands into the residential apartment building known as "VARENYA" in Survey Nos.35/3 and 35/4 totally measuring 21.04 Guntas which is morefully described as Item No.1 and Item No.2 in the Schedule hereunder and hereinafter together referred to as the 'Schedule Property'.

Public is notified that any person having any claim or interest, or any person claiming to have any manner of right, title, interest, claim, benefit, demand or interest in or in relation to the Schedule Property, or any part thereof, by way of sale, exchange, let, lease, license, assignment, mortgage, inheritance, bequest, succession, gift, lien, charge, maintenance, easement, trust, possession, family arrangement, settlement, decree or order of any court of law, contracts/ agreements, development right, partnership or arrangements of whatsoever nature, may lodge his/her objections and/or claims in writing, along with documentary evidence in support thereof, to the undersigned within 7 (Seven) days from the date of this notice. If no such claim is received, it would be deemed that no person, except the Owners, have right over the Schedule Property and claim/s if any, will be deemed to have been waived.

SCHEDULE PROPERTY

ITEM NO.1: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land in Survey No.35/3 measuring 0-13 Guntas out of 22.08 Guntas situated at Yamare Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, bearing Village Panchayath Property No. 150200100101121151 owned by Sri. V. Murali and Sri V.Sreedhar Reddy and bounded as follows: **East by:** Remaining portion of same Sy.No.35/3 and property belonging to Sri Nagaraju, **West by:** Land bearing Survey No.35/4, **North by:** Land bearing Survey No.35/4, **South by:** Road and Survey No.35/3.

ITEM No.2: All that piece and parcel of the residentially converted land in Survey No.35/4 measuring 0-08.04 Guntas out of 0.19 Guntas situated at Yamare Village, Sarjapura Hobli, Anekal Taluk, Bangalore District, bearing Village Panchayath Property No. 150200100101121150 owned by Sri.V.Murali and Sri V.Sreedhar Reddy and bounded as follows: **East by:** Land bearing Sy.No.35/3, **West by:** Remaining portion of same Sy.No.35/4; **North by:** Land bearing Survey No.35/2, **South by:** Road and Survey No.35/3

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SALE OF IMMOVABLE PROPERTIES THROUGH PUBLIC AUCTION

The undersigned as Authorized officer of Guardian Souharda Sahakari Bank Niyamita has taken possession over the property of **Mr. Jude John / Fathima Mary** as mentioned in the schedule respectively hereunder pursuant to the notice issued under section 13(2) of the SARFAESI Act 2002 with regard to the loan account Nos. **GSC-14100927981** with a right to sell the schedule property on "as is where is" basis for the realization of the bank dues amounting to Rs. 13,81,356/- as on 28th May 2024 under rules 8 and 9 of the Security Interest (enforcement) rules, 2002. Accordingly it has been decided to sell the schedule properties by public auction on **5th June 2024, between 11 am to 12.00 Noon** at the below mentioned address:

Guardian House, 1st Floor, No. 139, Infantry Road, Bangalore-560001

Terms and conditions of Auction

- For participating in the auction the intending bidders have to deposit Rs. 5,000/- as Earnest deposit which is refundable if the bid is not successful.
- The property shall not be sold below the Reserve Price of **Rs. 19,06,000/- (Nineteen Lakhs Six Thousand only)**
- The property is being sold on "as is where basis is".
- The successful bidder shall deposit 25% of the bid amount on the same day and the balance amount shall be paid on or before the 15th day of confirmation of sale or such extended period as agreed in writing and in default of the payment within the period the deposit shall be forfeited and the property shall be resold.
- The successful bidder would bear the charges/fees payable for conveyance such as stamp duty, registration fees, etc as applicable as per law.
- To the best of the knowledge and information of the Authorized officer, no other encumbrance exists on the property.
- The authorized officer has absolute right to accept or reject the bid or adjourn/ postpone the auction without assigning any reason thereof.
- The sale is subject to confirmation by the bank within 15 days of date of auction.
- This is also a notice to the borrowers of the above said loan accounts about holding of auction sale on the above mentioned date if their outstanding dues are not repaid in full.

SCHEDULE

All that piece and parcel of immovable property consisting of land together with asbestos sheets rooted house bearing property New No. 22, situated at O.No. 4th Street, Thimmaiah Road, Division No. 55 (Formerly old No. 16, Pillakaracheri Cross, 4th Street Thimmaiah Road Cross) Bangalore measuring East to West 21 ft. and North to South 8.3/4 ft.

Boundaries of the Property: East by Ghouse Saheb's house, West by Varadaraju's house, North by Anthony Temple and conservancy lane, South by Kali house.

For any further details please contact the undersigned during office hours at No. 139, Infantry Road, Bangalore-1. Phone: 080- 25580972 / 73 / 74.

Sd/-
Prathap George
Date : 28.05.2024 Chief Executive Officer, Guardian Souharda
Place : Bangalore Sahakari Bank Niyamita, Bangalore - 560001

2016 Oly pole vault champ banned for doping

Brazil's 2016 Olympic champion Thiago Braz will not be able to attempt to regain his title in Paris this year having been banned for 16 months for doping by the Athletics Integrity Unit. "The Athletics Integrity Unit (AIU) has banned Rio 2016 Olympic champion Thiago Braz for 16 months for the presence of ostarine glucuronide," read an AIU statement.

$6 TO $10K TICKETS, BOOKING STILL OPEN

With the T20 World Cup set to begin in a few days' time, seats for many marquee clashes are yet to be sold

SWAROOP SWAMINATHAN
@ Chennai

THE upcoming T20 World Cup in the United States and the West Indies could have several empty seats for all games. Even the ultra-popular India games (they start their campaign with three games in New York before rounding off their preliminary group obligations in Lauderhill) are yet to be sold out. Apart from the Pakistan game, tickets for the other three India games are available in multiple enclosures across the two venues.

If the *tickets.t20world.com* website is anything to go by (the official ticketing website), tickets are available for all games. It includes tickets for both the semifinals. One thing to keep in mind is that this is the final phase of sales. There was an earlier phase when a ballot system was in place from February 1-7.

Aerial shot of the Nassau County Cricket Stadium during the month of May | AP

"There was a public ticket ballot window which allowed fans to apply for tickets," the official website noted. "This ran from 1 to 7 February. Phase 1 of ticket sales will start on 22 February following the ballot where tickets for limited matches (depending on availability), will be made available for sale on a first-come, first-served basis." While the cheapest ticket for select games in the West Indies is priced at $6, it's $35 a pop for the cheapest ticket to watch a match in the US. But if you are an Indian fan wanting to watch a game, you have to shell out over ₹25,000 if you want to go as a family. The cheapest ticket for the India-Bangladesh warm-up is $100. If you want to experience some hospitality while watching that game, it will set you back $750. If you want to experience some hospitality, it will set you back $750. For India's Group A's games, it only gets dearer, with the Diamond Club tickets for the Pakistan game priced at $10,000. For India's game against Ireland and USA, it is $7500. It's the same situation for matches involving the West Indies, one of the co-hosts, and England, whose fans generally travel when they are playing in the Caribbean. There are tickets available in multiple enclosures across the Guyana National Stadium for West Indies' first match against Papua New Guinea on June 2 (prices range from $22 to $150). Interestingly enough, there are scores of tickets available all across the Kensington Oval in Barbados for Australia's game against England on June 8. It may be one of the marquee games of the group stages but the supporters are seemingly waiting for the time being. Like in all global events, a section of the tickets has already been kept aside for other stakeholders. "A small allocation of tickets is reserved for event partners and sponsors," the official website read.

All you need to know about the enclosures

All ICC Men's T20 World Cup 2024 stadiums are divided into different enclosures which have different views of the field of play and may have differing degrees of shade. For general ticket sales, these have been divided into four categories, although not all categories of ticket are available at each venue. **Category:** Premium; Standard Plus; Standard; Grounds and Mounds/Standing Room Only (SRO)

ICC MEN'S T20 WORLD CUP WEST INDIES & USA 2024 JUNE 1-29

A COUNTDOWN

TICKET RATES FOR SELECT MATCHES

USA VS CANADA
- From $40
- Premium from $200

INDIA VS PAKISTAN
- From $300
- **Diamond Club tickets** available from $10000 (₹8.3L)
- **Cheapest tickets of the T20 WC** - From $6
- **Starting price for both semifinals** — From $25
- **Pre-paid parking** is available at $40. It can go up to $250

PERKS FOR DIAMOND CLUB
- VIP parking
- Chef's breakfast
- Pitch-side access before games
- Photo session with ICC WC trophy
- Q and A with cricketing legend
- Pitch report by member of ICC comms team
- Lunch-time analysis by two cricket ambassadors
- Private champagne & lunch coupled with match analysis presented by cricketing legend

INDIA TICKETS

Opp	Cheapest	Costliest
Canada	$90	$500
USA	$90	$7,500
Pak	$300	$10,000
Ireland	$90	$7,500
Ban	$100	$750

Source: tickets.t20world.com

With rates being exorbitant, one wonders if the ICC may be forced to lower the price points to get the crowds in. This daily has asked the world body questions concerning the ticket sales. The copy will be updated as and when they respond.

Heyliger powers Canada to 63-run win over Nepal

DALLAS: A four-wicket burst by pacer Dilon Heyliger powered Canada to a smooth 63-run win over Nepal during the first-round warm-up matches ahead of the T20 World Cup here on Tuesday. Asked to bat first, Canada, who are set to make their debut in the marquee ICC event, made 183 for seven aided by Nicholas Kirton's 51 and Ravinderpal Singh's unbeaten 41 off 17 balls. Heyliger (4/20) then ripped through the Nepal line-up as they could only make 120 before getting bowled out with three balls to spare. In Trinidad, Oman chased down Papua New Guinea's total of 137 with five balls to spare to win by three wickets. In Tarouba, Namibia notched up a five-wicket win over Uganda thanks to a composed 54 from Niko Davin.

Brief scores: Canada 183/7 in 20 ovs (Nicholas Kirton 51, Ravinderpal Singh 41 n.o; Abinash Bohara 2/27, Lalit Rajbanshi 1/20) **bt** Nepal 120 all out in 19.3 ovs (Kushal Malla 37; Dilon Heyliger 4/20, Jeremy Gordon 2/25); Papua New Guinea 137/9 in 20 ovs (Lega Siaka 28; Aqib Ilyas 3/22, Bilal Khan 2/20) **lost to** Oman 141/7 in 19.1 ovs (Zeeshan Maqsood 45; Alei Nao 2/12, Charles Amini 2/19); Uganda 134/8 in 20 ovs (Roger Mukasa 51 n.o, Robinson Obuya 38 n.o; Bernard Scholtz 2/16, Merwe Erasmus 2/24) **lost to** Namibia 135/5 in 18.5 ovs (Niko Davin 54; Henry Ssenyondo 2/14).

'India the strongest side'

LONDON: India's remarkable reservoir of talent and formidable depth within their squad makes them strong contenders to win the upcoming T20 World Cup, feels former England skipper Eoin Morgan. India have gone with almost the same squad as they had in the last edition while adding the likes of Yashasvi Jaiswal, Yuzvendra Chahal and Sanju Samson.

"The strongest side even with injuries throughout the tournament is India. Their strength and depth is absolutely incredible," Morgan said on *Sky Sports*. "And it's almost probably, we're talking about who the players that were missed out in their squad of 15 because of the quality that they possess. They are favourites for me, the quality they have, if they produce it I think they can beat anybody."

England, Australia & regional giants

WITH THE T20 WORLD CUP DAYS AWAY, HERE IS A LOOK AT GROUP B WHERE NAMIBIA, OMAN, SCOTLAND, AUSTRALIA AND DEFENDING CHAMPIONS ENGLAND WILL COMPETE IN WEST INDIES FOR WORLD CUP GLORY...

AUSTRALIA

STRENGTHS: Similar to England, some of the Australian players, like Mitchell Starc, Travis Head and Pat Cummins have also found their rhythm leading into the World Cup. The T20 unit has played 14 fixtures, winning nine out of them and are one of the favourite sides to make it to the semis. Should they go on to win, they will hold the World Championships in all three formats

DRAWBACKS: Unlike the two previous ICC events, Australia are under new captain Mitchell Marsh, who will be leading the side for the first time in the T20 World Cup. The form of some the other players like Glenn Maxwell and David Warner could be a cause of concern and unlike many other teams, they have not played many fixtures together as a team leading into the World Cup

WCs won: 2021

2024 WC SCHEDULE
- Jun 6: vs Oman
- Jun 8: vs England
- Jun 12: vs Namibia
- Jun 16: vs Scotland

ENGLAND

STRENGTHS: The defending champions have many players like captain Jos Buttler, Phil Salt and Will Jacks who are coming off after positive stints in IPL. The ongoing series against Pakistan has shown why England are one of the top sides in the format and despite not playing a lot of white-ball cricket together, they are favourites to make it to the semis

DRAWBACKS: England's win-loss record since the previous World Cup has been a mixed bag. Out of the 13 fixtures they played, the Buttler-led side has won five and lost eight. The last time they visited the Caribbean, they lost 3-2 against the West Indies despite a few good individual performances

WCs won: 2010, 2022

SCHEDULE
- Jun 4: vs Scotland
- Jun 8: vs Australia
- Jun 14: vs Oman
- Jun 15: vs Namibia

SCOTLAND

STRENGTHS: Scotland have participated in every T20 World Cup since 2016 and their best result came in 2021 when they made it to the Super 12s after beating Bangladesh. After a spectacular Europe Region Qualifier where they won all six matches, Scotland have the opportunity to potentially disrupt the group

DRAWBACKS: The Scotland side has a mix of youth and experience. However, seasoned pacer Josh Davey has not found a place in the squad

WCs won: **nil**

SCHEDULE
- Jun 4: vs England
- Jun 7: vs Namibia
- Jun 9: vs Oman
- Jun 16: vs Australia

OMAN

STRENGTHS: Like Namibia, Oman are also marking their third appearance at the T20 World Cup, after dominating in the Asia Qualifier, where they beat Nepal in the super over to keep their unbeaten run. Their recent form has been good given Oman made it to the final of the ACC Men's Premier Cup in April

DRAWBACKS: The history is against the Asian side as they have not made it to the Super 12s in the two previous attempts

WCs won: **nil**

SCHEDULE
- Jun 3: vs Namibia
- Jun 6: vs Australia
- Jun 9: vs Scotland
- Jun 14: vs England

NAMIBIA

STRENGTHS: In their third T20 World Cup in a row, Namibia made it to the global tournament after remaining unbeaten in the Africa region qualifiers, beating Zimbabwe, a full-member nation. They can potentially pull off a surprise when they beat Sri Lanka by 55 runs in the 2022 edition

DRAWBACKS: Despite their dominant runs at the regional level, they will have a stiff challenge from the likes of England and Australia

WCs won: **nil**

SCHEDULE
- Jun 3: vs Oman
- Jun 7: vs Scotland
- Jun 12: vs Australia
- Jun 15: vs England

EXPRESS READ

Satwik-Chirag suffer shock defeat

SINGAPORE: World No 1 Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty crashed out of the Singapore Open after suffering a shock defeat against Denmark's World No 34 Daniel Lundgaard and Mads Vestergaard in the opening round, here Tuesday. Satwik and Chirag lost 20-22, 18-21 to Daniel and Mads in the Super 750 badminton meet. Aakarshi Kashyap and Priyanshu Rajawat also failed to cross the opening hurdle.

No MotoGP in India this year, shifted to 2025

NEW DELHI: The India round of the MotoGP championship will not not take place on the scheduled date in September and instead has been moved to March 2025, local promoters of the race reportedly said on Tuesday. After Tuesday's meeting involving all stakeholders — Dorna, co-promoters Fairstreet Sports and Uttar Pradesh government — the round was reportedly shifted to a yet to be decided date.

Norway Chess: Pragg overcomes Alireza

STAVANGER (NORWAY): Indian Grandmaster R Praggnanandhaa got off to a flier and defeated Firouzja Alireza of France in the Armageddon game in the first round of Norway Chess tournament here on Tuesday. After an easy draw under normal time control, Praggnanadhaa got 10 minutes as white compared to Alireza's seven but with the condition that he had to win as a draw would have given black extra points. The Indian carved out a fine victory in the endgame.

Top three Indian shooters to compete in Munich WC

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

SOME of the top shooters during the final Olympic trials were not too keen on participating at the Munich World Cup. Their trepidition was that the trials were quite exhausting and Munich World Cup could put strain on their body and mind.

However, on Tuesday, the National Rifle Association of India sernior vice president Kalikesh Narayan Singh Deo clarified that most of the top three shooters at the the trials would make up the team.

A 23-member rifle and pistol squad has been announced for the upcoming ISSF World Cup in Munich, scheduled for an end of the month start. Top three shooters of the Olympic trials will participate in all the 10 Olympic events. According to an NRAI statement that Senior VP said, "Some shooters had some obvious queries about the programme, given it is in the lead up to the Olympics, but we had a world with all them and convinced them." The team will head to France for a camp.

Olympic qualifiers: Boxer Nishant in last 16

EXPRESS NEWS SERVICE
@ Chennai

BOXER Nishant Dev was the lone bright spark from India in the 1st World Qualification Tournament earlier this year (March 3-11) in Italy. He had narrowly missed out on an Olympic quota then.

While reflecting on that near miss, the 71kg pugilist from Haryana had vowed to complete his task in the next qualifier — 2nd World Qualification Tournament in Bangkok, which is currently underway. After two convincing victories, the 23-year-old is on the right path to fulfil his goal.

Boxer Nishant Dev

On Tuesday, Nishant required just over two minutes to dispatch his opponent (he recorded his second win in the process) and book a spot in the pre-quarterfinals.

Mongolia's Otgonbaatar Byamba-Erdeneto stood helpless against the Indian as the latter was aggressive from the word go. Nishant threw a flurry of punches to force a standing count in the very first minute. He followed that up with a jab and hook that led to another standing count. In the end, the referee had no choice but to award a win by RSC (Referee Stopped the Contest) verdict.

Nishant will now take on Thailand's Peerapat Yeasungnoen for a place in the quarterfinals on Wednesday. There are five quotas on offer in Nishant's weight division. Later, Sachin Siwach (57kg) also won to enter the last 16. He beat Denmark's Jensen Frederik Lundgaard 5-0. Like Nishant, Sachin produced similar intensity from the start and captured the opening round. From then on, he continued to control the proceedings and eventually got the votes from all the five judges.

Abhinash Jamwal (63.5kg), however, lost a close bout in the Round of 32 meeting against Colombia's Jose Manuel Viafara Fory. Abhinash did very well in the final round to force a tie (all five judges). As per the rules, the judges were asked to vote again and all of them voted in Fory's favour.

ROLAND GARROS

It's great to be back, says Ruud after beating qualifier; Sabalenka wins

AGENCIES @ Paris

NORWAY'S Casper Ruud started his bid for a maiden French Open title, after final defeats in each of the past two years, with a comfortable win against Brazilian qualifier Felipe Meligeni Alves on Tuesday.

Ruud, who won clay-court titles in Barcelona and Geneva in the build-up to Roland Garros, cruised to a 6-3, 6-4, 6-3 victory.

"It's great to be back here at Roland Garros," he said. "Hopefully I can make it another good year here." Ruud was beaten in straight sets by Novak Djokovic in last year's final following a one-sided loss to Rafael Nadal in the 2022 showpiece.

Meanwhile, World No 2 Aryna Sabalenka over-powered Russian teenager Erika Andreeva in straight sets to reach the second round. The Australian Open champion, a semifinalist at Roland Garros in 2023, won 6-1, 6-2 against her 19-year-old opponent under the roof of Court Philippe Chatrier after 68 minutes. Sabalenka fired 27 winners past the 100th-ranked Andreeva and broke serve five times in a dominant display.

Cornet bids farewell

Frenchwoman Alize Cornet's career ended on Tuesday after her record-extending 69th consecutive Grand Slam appearance at the French Open, the tournament where she made her debut aged 15 and was once a ball girl.

Cornet was no match for China's Australian Open runner-up Zheng Qinwen on Court Philippe Chatrier in the first round, losing 6-2, 6-1.

Casper Ruud during his match against Felipe Meligeni Alves on Tuesday | AFP

She made her debut at Roland Garros in 2005 and has not missed a Grand Slam tournament since the 2006 US Open.

The 34-year-old's run of consecutive appearances at the majors smashed the previous women's record of 62 set by Japan's Ai Sugiyama. "Emotionally it was not easy," said Cornet on her decision to retire after a 20-year professional career. "Some days I was really excited about retirement and some other days I was very scared. Overall, I feel in peace today about it, and so I'm very happy about that decision."

Cornet reached a career-high ranking of 11th in 2009 and enjoyed a surprise run to the 2022 Australian Open quarterfinals, beating Simona Halep along the way. Cornet's career will also be remembered for a run of three successive wins over Serena Williams in 2014 — including dumping the 23-time Grand Slam champion out of Wimbledon in the third round. "The quarterfinals in Australia was the source of a lot of emotions," she said. "My win over Serena was strong, intense, it was a source of great joy. But the quarter-finals -- I had been running after this quarter-final for such a long time, and also winning against Simona Halep with that heat, well, it was overwhelming. I think I will remember that." Cornet ended her career on home soil with a 20th French Open appearance.

Select results (Rd 1): Men: Tomas Etcheverry (ARG x28) **bt** Arthur Cazaux (FRA) 3-6, 6-2, 6-1, 6-4; Casper Ruud (NOR x7) **bt** Felipe Meligeni (BRA) 6-3, 6-4, 6-3. **Women:** Zheng Qinwen (CHN x7) **bt** Alize Cornet (FRA) 6-2, 6-1; Elena Rybakina (KAZ x4) **bt** Greet Minnen (BEL) 6-2, 6-3; Aryna Sabalenka (BLR x2) **bt** Erika Andreeva (RUS) 6-1, 6-2.

GREEN INFRA THE KEY

Urbanisation and deforestation have resulted in a significant decline in tree health, in turn affecting the overall ecosystem. Integrating green infrastructure like parks, greenways, and green roofs can help mitigate the negative impact of urban development on trees. Green spaces can provide a habitat for trees and other vegetation, which could help reduce extreme heat and cold weather conditions, improve air quality, and provide shade. Integrating green infrastructure in urban planning can support our trees and ensure they continue to thrive even in the cities.

BEHIND THE SCIENCE

EDWARD JENNER

VAX THE ANSWER

SONIA SALI

EDWARD Jenner was born on May 17, 1749, in Berkeley, Gloucestershire, England. Hailing from a humble family of clergymen, he was the eighth of nine children. Famously known as the 'Father of Immunology', Jenner's interest in science and medicine was sparked during his apprenticeship with a surgeon in his teenage years.

Amidst his other achievements, he is most famous for his pioneering work in developing the smallpox vaccine. In the late 18th Century, smallpox was a highly contagious and deadly disease, which caused widespread suffering and death. Jenner observed that milkmaids who had contracted cowpox, a disease like smallpox but much milder, seemed to be immune to smallpox. In 1796, Jenner conducted his groundbreaking experiment. He took material from a cowpox sore on a milkmaid named Sarah Nelmes and injected it into the arm of a young boy named James Phipps. After Phipps recovered from cowpox, he further exposed him to smallpox, but the boy did not develop the disease, thus laying the foundation for the concept of vaccination. Jenner coined the term "vaccination" from the Latin word "vacca", meaning cow, in reference to the cowpox virus that was used in the vaccine. However, initially his work was met with scepticism and opposition, but over time, vaccination gained acceptance and became the keystone of public health. Besides, in addition to his work on vaccination, Jenner also made other significant contributions to medicine. He studied the natural history of common diseases, including angina, cholera, and influenza. He also made important observations in the fields of natural history and zoology. Jenner's legacy is profound. His development of the smallpox vaccine not only saved numerous lives, but also paved the way for the eradication of smallpox, which was one of the most devastating diseases in human history. Today, Jenner is remembered as one of the greatest figures in the history of medicine, and his work continues to live on in medical history, while simultaneously inspiring advances in vaccination and public health.

WHEN GREEN TURNS GREY

AS CITIES GROW, TREES THAT CALL THEM HOME OFTEN GIVE WAY TO HUMAN PROGRESS. URBAN DEFORESTATION NEEDS AN IMMEDIATE, SCIENTIFIC REMEDY

GARGI DESHPANDE

THE recent pre-monsoon showers in Bengaluru resulted in close to 200 trees being uprooted across the metropolis, with over 350 branches falling off and blocking its main thoroughfares. The Bruhat Bengaluru Mahanagara Palike (BBMP) received more than 190 complaints of uprooted trees in less than two weeks.

As of 8.30 am on May 10 alone, the India Meteorological Department (IMD) recorded that Bengaluru had received 14 mm of rainfall, along with strong winds, in the last 24 hours, flooding several key parts of the city and uprooting 70 trees.

Trees falling prey to the vagaries of nature is not an unexpected phenomenon, but healthy specimens succumbing to sudden changes in weather, especially in urban areas, is a matter of concern.

Trees in a concrete jungle

Bengaluru, the Garden City, is grappling with serious issues related to dwindling tree cover today. Recent research points to unbridled concretisation and infrastructural activity for the fewer trees that we see around.

A study by the Indian Institute of Science (IISc), Bangalore, has found that over the past five decades, 93% of Bengaluru has lost its lakes and green cover to urbanisation, coupled with a 79% loss in water resources and 88% loss in forest cover, while construction soared over 1000%.

Accordingly, rapid urbanisation has a direct, detrimental impact on the health and quality of trees, potentially resulting in an environmental catastrophe in the decades to follow.

Urbanisation is an inevitable feature of human progress. As human beings grow, economically with better standards of living, along with their population, their surroundings grow in tandem, with grander living spaces and creature comforts, including vast road networks, airports, railways, and places for recreation. Rapid urbanisation reflects an enviable standard of living, but a better quality of life calls for good health and a sustainable environment. Hence, trees well-suited to the urban setting, give the much-needed succour and maintain a city's temperature cycle and provide fresh and clean air to breathe, to say the least.

However, urban deforestation, where trees either fall prey to natural factors such as inclement weather, or are simply razed to make way for further urbanisation is a global trend, especially in developing countries. In India, for instance, the demand for land is constantly increasing to provide for various human needs. Urban spaces and localities are continuing to expand at a rapid pace. With the burgeoning cityscapes, the vegetation cover within the cities and beyond have been retreating, threatening local biospheres, causing air and water pollution, health issues, and economic disparity. Encroachment and decay of urban water bodies have compounded the problem, as seen in the acute water crisis that Bengaluru has been noticing in recent times. The IISc research attributes the city's water problems to a drastic depletion of its lakes. The city's water spread area has shrunk from 2,324 hectares in 1973, to just 696 hectares in 2023, owing to concretisation. Around 98% of the remaining lakes are encroached upon, while 90% are polluted with untreated sewage and industrial effluents, affecting groundwater recharge.

Besides, the unusually high soaring temperatures experienced in Bengaluru recently, followed by intense flooding even after moderate rainfall calls for course correction. Currently, several cities worldwide are experiencing what is called 'urban heat island', which occurs when cities replace natural land cover with dense concentrations of pavements, buildings, and other surfaces that absorb and retain heat. All these ill-effects have a direct correlation with the declining green cover.

Where did the trees go?

Trees are crucial to the urban ecosystem, helping to improve air quality, reduce heat, ensure regular monsoon, and enhance the overall aesthetics of cities.

However, urbanisation has a serious impact on the survival of trees, usually demanding the axing of mature trees, which changes soil composition, and alters the microclimate of the surroundings, which in turn leads to a loss of biodiversity and ecosystems.

A holistic approach is crucial to understand the complex interactions between trees, their urban environment, infrastructure, and climate. But what causes urban deforestation?

Apart from deliberate felling, the spread of urbanisation itself poses a challenge to trees. Land used to set up buildings, roads, and other infrastructure projects negatively impact the trees that call it home. There is direct destruction and fragmentation of the natural ecosystem, and subsequent deforestation. The soil compaction in the urban areas, polluted air and water, and unnatural habitat, together put a lot of stress on the trees growing there, which further weaken and kill them. Also, the compromised pH levels of the soil are not ideal for most saplings, and can overtime weaken older trees, as they either do not get enough space to spread their roots and take in nutrients, or grow big enough in an urban sprawl, further weakening them from within.

Bengaluru, where trees and buildings fight for space | AMOL GAITONDE

Climate change factors such as heatwaves, droughts, and erratic rainfall patterns, combined with stress on urban forests, make trees vulnerable to pests and diseases. Waterlogged soil loses its nutrients, like phosphorus, potassium, ammonium and nitrogen, which are naturally abundant in the soil, and are unable to support the weight of a full-grown tree. This leads to many abiotic diseases in trees. However, such diseases almost always have the same symptoms as biotic diseases, leading to misdiagnosis by amateur gardeners, who are tasked with caring for the trees. Trees and saplings, when moved from their natural habitat, cannot survive on their own for long, and it takes time for them to internalise a new ecosystem.

Ammonium toxicity and nitrogen toxicity can also be cancerous to trees, and are mostly seen in a greenhouse, where most tree saplings are grown and then planted in different areas of the city. These saplings also carry toxic nutrients, affecting the new soil they are planted in. Diseases like hardwood decay, and root rot, which weaken the trees from within, are a result of the urban ecosystem. Trees that have been shifted from their natural habitat for the sake of urbanisation (transplantation) are mostly left to tend for themselves, when they need to be taken care of. This makes them all the more weak, and they perish. Older diseased trees have weaker structures, and become susceptible to fall during heavy rain.

Hence, planning for tree cover sustenance becomes as important as planning for the next big infrastructure project. Addressing urban deforestation requires integrated planning and sustainable development strategies that prioritise urban forestry, afforestation, and conservation efforts. Planting native species with strong roots, regular maintenance, inspections, pruning weak branches, and proper drainage to prevent waterlogging, and promoting green infrastructure can improve the resilience of urban trees and prevent untoward deforestation. Simple ideas, even on the part of citizens, such as leaving a little space while constructing a new house to grow some native plant species, will go a long way in making our cities green again.

HOW IT WORKS

THE WATER-PRODUCING TREE OF ANDHRA

SONIA SALI

WHILE trees have always been around producing oxygen and sustaining the earth, it comes as a great surprise when we talk about trees that can produce water. Nature has always awestruck humankind with its whims and fancies – a pretty poisonous flower there, a rainbow fish here, indomitable tardigrades, and now trees that produce water!

A recent discovery in Andhra Pradesh, unveiled the unique ability of the Indian Laurel (*Terminalia Tomentosa*) tree of producing water, offering a respite or solution to water scarcity. Moreover, the leaves of the tree have also been typically used in traditional medicine systems for their potential curing properties.

The Indian Laurel Fig is a species of fig tree, native to Southeast Asia and parts of the Western Pacific Islands and Australia. It is highly regarded for its dense canopy and smooth, grey bark. While it is considered as an ornamental tree, grown usually by the roads and in gardens, its capacity to store and release water has sparked widespread interest. Also found in the Alluri Sitharaman Raju district of Andhra Pradesh, in India, this tree was discovered to be storing water in its trunk during the rainy season and releasing it during the summer months. It absorbs excess water through its roots and stores it in its tissues and stands bare between November and February. While doubts of the taste and odour of the water thus produced hover, researchers have proved that it is safe to consume the same. However, it does have a distinctive difference in its taste, owing to its absorption of water from the soil. The Indian Laurel tree was discovered in Papikonda National Park by officials of the Forest Department in Andhra Pradesh. Approximately 20 litres of water gushed out when they cut into the trunk of the tree, sparking interest among people and states that were reeling under an acute water crisis.

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However, not all Indian Laurel trees store water in their trunks. Older trees usually store water and release it during the dry months. Trees that store water develop a lateral ridge, which is 2-3 feet long and half-a-foot thick on their trunks, about 5-6 feet above the ground. This lateral ridge, which is known as the wing, indicates the presence of water in the trunk. A fully grown tree can store approximately six litres of water. Besides, it was also discovered that the traditional Konda Reddi tribe of Andhra Pradesh use the tree as a source of water during the summer months. The tree thrives in environments, even during extreme weather conditions and drought.

EXPRESS READ

Iron key to cheap, green lithium-ion batteries

CORVALLIS (US): What if a common element rather than scarce, expensive ones was a key component in electric car batteries? A collaboration co-led by an Oregon State University chemistry researcher is hoping to spark a green battery revolution by showing that iron instead of cobalt and nickel can be used as a cathode material in lithium-ion batteries. The findings are important, Oregon State's Xiulei "David" Ji notes. "We've transformed the reactivity of iron metal, the cheapest metal commodity," he said. "Our electrode can offer a higher energy density than the state-of-the-art cathode materials in electric vehicles. And since we use iron, whose cost can be less than a dollar per kg – a small fraction of nickel and cobalt – the cost of our batteries is potentially much lower," he adds.

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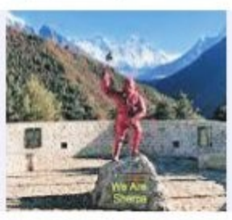
DAY'S DIARY

Ascent of Mt Everest

The first confirmed ascent of Mount Everest was achieved in 1953 by Sir Edmund Hillary of New Zealand and Tenzing Norgay, a Nepali sherpa

HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE

The duo reached the summit as part of the British expedition led by John Hunt. This news came out on June 2, the day of Queen Elizabeth II's coronation, and Britons hailed it as a good omen



HONOURS

In Nepal, Sir Edmund Hillary Visitor's Centre (to recognise mountaineers) and a museum in Tenzing's name (a hub for Mount Everest climbers) was built

FIRST ATTEMPT

First attempt to climb the Everest was by a British expedition in 1921. In this group of mountaineers, George Leigh Mallory trekked 400 miles

A curated guide to happenings in the city

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Bengaluru entrepreneur Ira Guha's Asan has a buy-one-donate-one programme, wherein for every cup sold, one is given to a woman or girl in rural India

Ira Guha is among three Indians to win a prestigious award for her work on period poverty. She shares her effort to change women's lives by providing access to safe personal care products

RED-LETTER DAY

DESE GOWDA

AS the daughter of graphic designer Sujata Keshavan and renowned writer-historian Ramachandra Guha, **Ira Guha** grew up surrounded by strong role models in Bengaluru. "My mother had a design business, and having her as an example of taking risks and being a breadwinner was very inspirational to me. As a writer, my father was very public-spirited. Our dinner table conversations were always about society, politics, the environment and how to be eco-friendly," says the 31-year-old entrepreneur. These conversations deeply influenced Guha's worldview and in 2017 inspired her to found Asan, a company dedicated to improving the lives of rural women globally by addressing period poverty through eco-friendly reusable menstrual cups.

Earlier this month, Guha was among the three Indian recipients of the prestigious Cartier Women's Initiative Fellowship, which recognises women entrepreneurs who are solving global challenges and provides them with financial support and access to a network of resources to help scale their impact. "I've been working for the last four years on eradicating period poverty in rural India and worldwide. Winning this award is significant because a woman's period is still a taboo topic. For a woman in India working on period poverty to win such an award brings a lot of visibility to the issue of menstruation and helps normalise it," shares Guha, who now shuttles between Bengaluru and London.

Guha also won an Innovate UK Unlocking Award recently, with a grant to develop a period-tracking app focused on menstrual health education. Guha's first encounter with lack of adequate period resources, a widespread issue in India and other parts of the world, occurred when her househelp couldn't come to work due to severe rashes from poor-quality sanitary pads. "So I gifted her a menstrual cup I had brought back from the UK, and she could comfortably work during her period. She then asked me to bring more for her sisters and nieces, and that's how the initiative began, growing organically from there. While pursuing my Master's in Public Policy at the Harvard Kennedy School in Massachusetts, USA, I worked with an engineer to design and patent an easier-to-use menstrual cup based on feedback from these women. The Asan cup has a patented design with a ring for easier removal and is made from medical-grade silicone, the same material used in heart stents," she shares.

> *Behavioural change is the biggest hurdle. Convincing women to switch from disposable pads to reusable cups, and gaining the support of investors, has been challenging*
>
> Ira Guha, entrepreneur

Guha says that over 50,000 women and girls use the Asan cup globally with the company aiming to reach over a million low-income women and girls in the next five years. "Primarily, it is extremely durable. Because of its high-quality design, one cup can last for up to 10 years. Over that period, a woman would spend between ₹30,000 to ₹35,000 on sanitary pads, whereas with the cup, it's ₹1,800, since it's a one-time buy," she shares, adding, "In addition to the reusability factor, we also have a buy-one-donate-one programme. For every cup we sell, we donate one, along with providing menstrual health education."

Despite the successes, Guha's journey has not been without its share of challenges. "Behavioural change is the biggest hurdle. Convincing women to switch from disposable pads to reusable cups, and gaining the support of investors, has been challenging," she notes, adding, "My advice to women entrepreneurs is to speak as loudly and openly as possible. In India, less than 10 per cent of funding goes to women, although some of the most profitable businesses are run by women. We should be vocal about our achievements, and ask openly for what we need."

MONIKA MONALISA

Turkish delight

THIS summer, Anjan Mahapatra wanted to explore something beyond Europe, a place that would fulfill his desire to explore culture. Pleasant weather and scenic views were a must, too, to transport him away from the mundanity of the daily routine. With all these specifications, he finally zeroed-in on Turkey. "We were researching about which country to visit; we wanted the European experience and the cultural side as well. Partly in Asia and partly in Europe, Turkey was a perfect mix of both. We figured we would experience the influences of the Arab world and get a glimpse of European heritage," says Mahapatra.

Just like Mahapatra, many Bengalureans are considering Turkey as the go-to travel destination this year. Kamini Kannan, a travel consultant points to its pleasant weather. "Turkey summers are really hot. But during Indian summer, it is still spring there. This time, Bengaluru was unusually hot, so people were looking for getaways, which were not too far away," says Kannan, adding that April, May and June are the best times to visit Turkey. "Some of the coastal places give a feeling of Greece and Italy, albeit, in a more budgeted manner," she says.

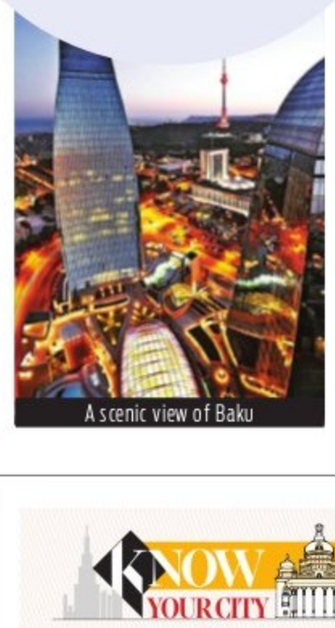
Bengaluru-based **Zohara Jamal** stopped by at one such place, Alacati, during her visit. "It's a small coastal place which is like the Santorini of Turkey. It's a hidden gem. Cobbled streets, old stone houses, and some cultural wine-making experiences were all packed in," says Jamal. But apart from the touristy Istanbul, Blue Mosque, a hot-air balloon experience in Cappadocia, she also recommends some workshops. "I went for a perfume-making workshop with my children, which was a great way to learn something new. I also attended a session to understand the Turkish style of marble painting, Ebru. So there are a lot of off-beat activities that can be included," says Jamal. Although the prices of these workshops vary, Jamal paid 50 Euros (₹4,500) for the perfume workshop where she got to keep the 30 ml sample they created, and 45 Euro (₹4,000 approx.) for the marble-painting workshop.

While many might consider Turkey to be a cost-effective travel destination, Swarna Nagraj, who visited recently with her husband, says, the food can be costly. "If you are looking for a cafe-like experience, the prices could be on par with European standards," says Nagaraj.

This summer, B'lureans are looking for off-beat travel destinations offering a blend of heritage, art and architecture

BAKU CALLING

If you are looking for something besides Turkey, then Baku, the capital of Azerbaijan, is equally popular. Vidya Shree M, an avid traveller and a travel curator says, one of the main reasons is unlike any European country, a Schengen visa is not required. "You need an e-visa, which is not very difficult to get. Stay and travel are quite reasonable," says Vidya, adding the best time to travel to Baku is between April and October.

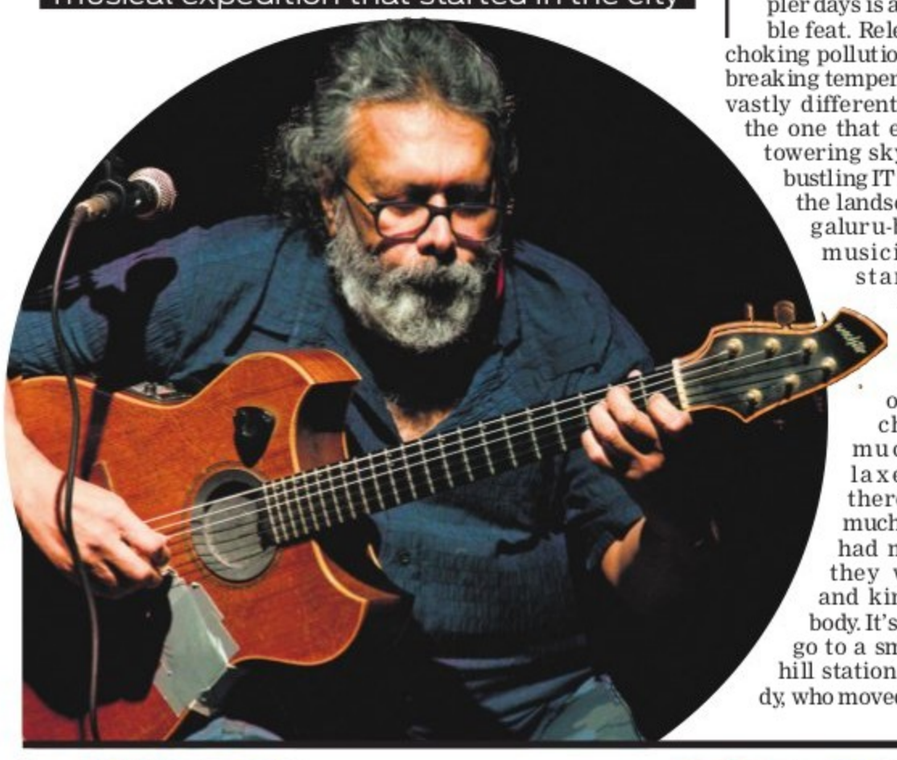


A scenic view of Baku

Cobbled streets in Alacati

PAYING TRIBUTE TO A CITY THAT WAS

Veteran guitarist Konarak Reddy's new concert brings alive the old Bangalore charm, and marks his 50-year-long musical expedition that started in the city



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FOR many new-generation Bengalureans, conjuring a vision of the city in its simpler days is a near-impossible feat. Relentless traffic, choking pollution, and record-breaking temperatures paint a vastly different picture than the one that existed before towering skyscrapers and bustling IT hubs reshaped the landscape. But Bengaluru-based veteran musician and rock star **Konarak Reddy** takes much pleasure in reminiscing the old Bangalore charm. "It was much more relaxed because there was not so much stress. People had more time, so they were sweeter and kinder to everybody. It's like when you go to a small town or a hill station," recalls Reddy, who moved to Bengaluru in the 1970s. With his latest concert Bangalore 1974, Reddy wants to pay tribute to the city that once was. "I came to Bangalore, and I fell in love with it. 1974 was when suddenly, music became my obsession. So, I want to bring back a lot of things and stories about that time," shares Reddy.

Bangalore 1974 is part of the solo concert series titled 'The Guitar Book of Revelations' celebrating 50 years of Reddy's music. Apart from his musical compositions, the concert is influenced by the Bangalore of the 1970s where he will recount stories of the old music teachers of Bangalore and more. The idea of this series was envisioned by his wife, theatre artiste Kirtana Kumar last year when Reddy was undergoing chemotherapy. "It took my mind off the treatment, and I started composing new music," he says, adding, "I feel we are all connected. When I play, I feel the audience is as much a part of the concert as I am. We both know where we want to go, and we somehow achieve it together."

Guitarist Konarak Reddy peforming back in the day

Known for breaking the gap between Western and Indian styles, Reddy says, "Indian and Western music can't meet. But I've realised that the silence between the notes is where I can express what I truly feel. So a lot of my Western compositions have this element of me in them."

Brought up in a multicultural family of artistes, Reddy believes that his experiences in the city, always surrounded by brilliant artistes and thinkers, have shaped his musical expressions. "I had so many experiences within me which I have to express," he says.

(The concert Bangalore 1974 will be performed today, at 7pm, at the Bangalore International Centre, Domlur)

KNOW YOUR CITY

Arun Prasad, city-based history researcher, unravels interesting facts about Bengaluru in this weekly quiz series. So it's time for you to find out how familiar you are with the city, beyond its heritage buildings, IT parks and the pub culture.

THE QUIZ WILL BE PUBLISHED EVERY WEDNESDAY

Send answers to **bengalurucityexpress@gmail.com** with the subject line **'Know Your City Quiz'**

Correct answers and names of first three respondents with right answers will be featured in *CE*.

1. Rev Ferdinand Kittel, a German missionary, linguist and Indologist who is referred to as a 'Kannada Saint' for his contribution to the Kannada language and literature has produced some remarkable works, including *Kathamale* in 1862 and the first-ever Kannada-English dictionary in 1894. An incredible statue in his honour is installed within a triangular park at a traffic junction on a prominent road earlier known as South Parade in the city. What is the road today known as?

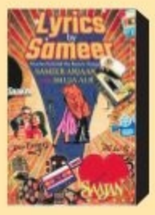
2. Chhatrapati Shivaji, who laid the foundation of the Maratha Empire in Western India has a strong connection with Bengaluru as well. He spent his childhood here in the early 1640s along with his father Shahaji Raje, who then ruled Bengaluru. He also married Saibai Nimbalkar of Phaltan in Bengaluru. A 14-ft-tall equestrian bronze statue in his memory was installed and unveiled in 1993 in a park at a traffic junction in an upscale locality in Bengaluru. Where is the statue located? Sadashivanagar or Shivajinagar?

3. The historic war memorial statue of the Unknown Soldier is relocated to the National Military Memorial Park on Raj Bhavan Road to facilitate metro-rail work. The statue was originally located at Minsk Square. True or False?

BOOK NOOK

My Beloved Life
By Amitava Kumar

A deeply moving novel that traces the arc of a man's life – an ordinary one made exceptional by the fact that he has loved and has been loved in turn. Jadunath Kunwar's beginnings are humble, even inauspicious.

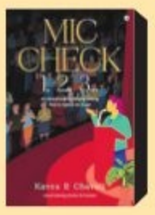


Lyrics by Sameer
By Sameer and Shuja Ali

As Sameer recounts the stories behind his iconic compositions, readers will be transported back to a time of colourful costumes, catchy melodies, and larger-than-life performances of his.

The Scent of Fallen Stars
By Aishwarya Jha

In this tale, 36-year-old Will arrives in New Delhi, seeking solace from the collapse of his academic dreams and the stifling confines of expat life. Amid the monsoon rains, he encounters the enigmatic Leela, whose presence ignites a passionate and devastating affair that will change both of their lives forever.



Mic Check 123
By Kavea Chavali

The book is an anecdotal dive into the world of emceeing and speaking that the author takes us through. Having successfully navigated through this previously uncharted profession, she brings forth her observations in a conversational manner.

MASTERING THE ART
Art lovers in the city try out oil painting during a workshop in Koramangala | ALLEN EGENUSE J

QUICKFIX

BREAKFAST ENERGY BAR

INGREDIENTS

- **Chopped dates:** 300 g
- **Baking soda:** 11/2 tsp
- **Chia seeds:** 2 tbsp
- **Any other seed of choice**
- **Dark chocolate or any other preferred chocolate:** 50 g
- **Water:** 500 ml
- **Oats:** 180 g
- **Honey:** 2 tbsp
- **almond:** 2 tbsp

METHOD

- Place the chopped dates in a simmering pot for 15 minutes until the dates soften.
- Add the baking soda to it and stir to combine (it will foam).
- Add all the other ingredients except chocolate.
- Press it into a tin and bake it at 160 degrees Celsius.
- Allow it to cool, and then drizzle dark chocolate over it.

Contributed by **Mridula Krishnakumar**, Erode

WHATWHENWHYWHERE

Glam Night

Don't miss this chance to party hard as DJ Senleo will be spinning some popular tunes from Bollywood to Punjabi music, all night long. Ladies will treated to some complimentary drinks, along with free entry.

WHEN: May 29, 8 pm
WHERE: Drava, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Stories Come Alive

Theatre enthusiasts immerse in a Kannada play *Sumsumke* presented by Team Dhrushya. This Kannada play is written by Kotiganahalli Ramaiah and has been designed, and directed by Dakshayini Bhat A. **WHEN:** June 1, 7 pm **WHERE:** Kalagrama, Mallatahalli **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

A Classical Treat

Milan Jhankaar 2024, organised by the Manasa Joshi Arts Foundation, will present Echoes from Eras, a production which embarks on an exploration of the Kathak dance form. **WHEN:** June 1, 7 pm **WHERE:** Bengaluru Gayana Samaaja, Basavanagudi **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Giggle time

Laugh with **Vipul Goyal** the creator of *Humorously Yours* web series and engage with satire, observational, improvisational comedy. Experience a hilarious night with relatable content that is funnier than yesterday's memes.

WHEN: May 31, 5.45 pm
WHERE: BOHO Rooftop restaurant and bar, Brookefield
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Folk Frenzy

Immerse in exceptional live music to shuffle your feet and get loose. It's time to get excited as Hyderabad-based music band **Chowraasta** is coming to Bengaluru with a fusion of folk and reggae. Buckle up as you get to witness a blend of musical genres.

WHEN: May 31, 7.30 pm **WHERE:** Sunburn Union, Koramangala **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Movie Delight

Sunset Cinema Club celebrates two decades of love, laughter, and memories with a special screening of *Hum Tum*! Relive the magic of Rhea and Karan's journey with an evening of nostalgia. Enjoy this romantic comedy with delicious munchies and drinks! **WHEN:** May 31, 7 pm **WHERE:** GCBC Garden City Beer, Gantiganahalli **DETAILS:** bookmyshow.com

Green Theory

Learn to create your green haven at this DIY Terrarium Workshop, a hands-on experience where you craft your eco-friendly miniature. Immerse yourself in the creative process of building a handcrafted haven that adds a touch of green elegance to any room.

WHEN: May 30, 1 pm
WHERE: Small World, Koramangala
DETAILS: bookmyshow.com

Shobha Tharoor Srinivasan

An award-winning children's author and poet

How to write for children?

Children's writing must be approached with interest, knowledge of the genre, and passion for the craft's nuances. Here's how to get started in this field.

- This genre is capacious. Find the type of books you wish to write. Varieties include board books, picture books, chapter books, middle-grade novels, stories in verse, poetry books, graphic novels, etc.
- Plan how you wish to frame the narrative. Even for an illustrated biography, the 'telling' of the narrative must be thought out ahead of time so that it is appealing to readers.
- Decide on the age group of your intended readers, create a plot with memorable characters, plan the concept and setting, and also the word count. If the book is a biography or a historical narrative, conduct thorough research.
- Write the draft, proofread, check spellings, and then share it to solicit feedback from readers. These readers are your 'beta testers' and ideally should be from the age group you are writing for. Make changes based on their feedback.
- Children's books are not read only once. Even picture books initially read to non-readers are books that children can read to themselves as their reading skills develop. There is learning and discovery at different stages of development. Be mindful of this as you write.

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PARIVRTTA BHUJANGASANA ARM ON LEG
(REVOLVED COBRA POSE ARM ON LEG)

This is a level-up variation of the foundational yoga pose, Parivrtta Bhujangasana (Revolved Cobra Pose), under the basic yoga pose, Bhujangasana (Cobra Pose). It is a challenging intermediate level of practice, involving more balance, strength, and flexibility. The twist and soak action with one arm behind helps stretch the muscles around the hips and abdominal muscles, strengthening the upper body while internally rotating the hips. Included in flow yoga sequences, it increases spinal flexibility while strengthening the core, biceps-triceps, and back muscles.

STEPS

- Start in Advasana (Reverse Corpse Pose) by keeping your feet hip-width apart.
- Keep your body straight with your hands extended overhead. Place the feet on the ground with the toes pointing back. Stay here for a breath or two.
- Inhale. Place the palms on either side of your face on the floor, with them aligned with the shoulders. Fingers should be pointed forward. Exhale.
- Inhale, lift your head, and place your chin on the ground, stretching the frontal neck. Exhale.
- Engage your core muscles and press your pubic bone and anterior feet into the mat to stabilise your lower body.
- Inhale. Gently lift your chest and head off the floor in a backbend while keeping your pelvis grounded. Use the strength of your back, not your arms, to lift your upper body.
- Draw your shoulders back, open your chest, and lift through the sternum. Avoid crunching the shoulders and neck.
- Maintain the balance, exhale, and slowly twist the upper body and the head towards the right.
- Inhale, centre your left hand, and twist as you reach your right arm back and exhale. Place the right hand on the right thigh to help deepen the twist. Remain here for six breaths, and look behind.
- To release, inhale, unwind the twist, and bring the right hand back to the front. Exhaling, gently lower the arms, chest, and head back to the mat. Align back in Advasana and relax in Makarasana.
- Repeat it on the other side.
- Release and relax in Makarasana.

BENEFITS

- Spine is active with the contraction of the muscles of the lower and upper back.
- Stretches the biceps, chest, shoulders, spine, thighs, and calves, as well as internal and external oblique muscles.
- Expands the chest and the shoulders.
- Aids in maintaining a correct posture.
- Promotes and increases energy levels, uplifts the mood, and releases fatigue, depression, and sadness.
- Relieves chronic pains such as backache and mild sciatica.
- Helps with endocrine gland secretion and aids in better appetite.
- Relieves menstrual problems and improves the functioning of reproductive organs.
- Balances hormones and improves pelvic floor health.
- Balances the chakras, especially the Anahata Chakra.
- Deepens breathing.
- Reduces the severity of cervical spondylosis pain.

LIMITATIONS

- People with injuries or surgeries to the back or spine, or have peptic ulcers, hernias, hypothyroidism, any injury to the wrist, arms, or shoulder, neck problems, or spondylitis, should avoid this.
- Pregnant women should avoid this, and senior citizens should take extra care.

By N Elumalai, PhD Scholar (Yoga Science) at Meenakshi Academy of Higher Education & Research, Chennai

ARTCORNER

THE MINDSCAPE

Stark colours, frantic lines, and beasts melded into figures. Wayanad native Arjun K K's artworks are about the tumult of emotions.

An example of an Artist Book

EXPLORING THE REALM OF ARTIST BOOKS

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(The author is a technologist based in Silicon Valley who is gently mad about books)

WHEN I sent a special collector's edition of my book *Shelf Aware: A Love Affair with Books* to my friend and artist Marco Santini, he sent it back to me as a piece of art, masterfully designed and beautifully framed. Marco had spent hours carefully cutting away pages from the book, picking the right words, elevating the artwork and in the process telling a new story. That was my introduction to the world of the Artist Book – in this case, you could also call it an altered book! Marco has taken many classic books, signed by authors such as Pablo Picasso, Frida Kahlo, Ansel Adams and Marc Chagall, and converted them into pieces of art for his 'Signature Series'.

Artist books are books made by artists that are intended to be viewed as works of art. They stand at the intersection of visual art and literature, transcending the conventional boundaries of both disciplines. The roots of the artist book can be traced back to ancient civilisations, when scribes adorned manuscripts with intricate illustrations and decorative motifs. However, the modern concept of the artist book emerged in the early 20th century, spurred by avant-garde movements such as Dadaism and Surrealism. Artists such as Marcel Duchamp, Max Ernst and Salvador Dali experimented with the book form, producing visually-striking and conceptually-rich works that challenged conventional reading practices.

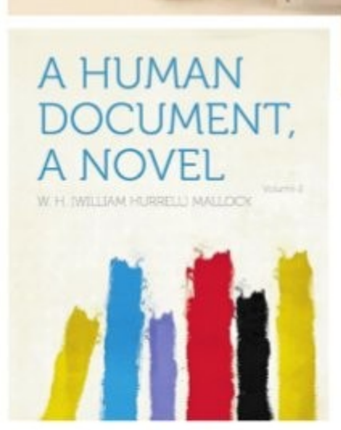
One of the strangest yet most beautiful artist books is the much sought-after *Codex Seraphinianus*, first published in 1981. This visual encyclopedia of an unknown world written in an unknown language has fuelled much debate over its meaning. Written for the information age and addressing the import of coding and decoding in genetics, literary criticism, and computer science, *Codex Seraphinianus* confused, fascinated, and enchanted a generation. Created by Italian artist Luigi Serafini, it's a vast compendium of surreal illustrations annotated in a made-up language. The infinitely bizarre diagrams – a horse with a caterpillar rear end, umbrellas walking on human legs, a machine extruding people – make the book impossible to put down or comprehend. I feel the book is now more relevant and timelier than ever before.

Two books that reminded me of Marco's style are *Tree of Codes* by Jonathan Safran Foer and *A Humument* by Tom Phillips. Jonathan took Bruno Schulz's *Street of Crocodiles* and meticulously cut out words and phrases, transforming the original text into a fragmented yet coherent novel! Similarly, Tom Phillips in his *A Humunent*, through a process of erasure, took an obscure Victorian novel *A Human Document* by WH Mallock and transformed it into a vibrant collage of words and images, breathing new life into the original text.

Radha Pandey may well be one of the few book artists in India. Based in New Delhi and Norway, Radha did her MFA in Book Arts from the University of Iowa and is also a letterpress printer and paper maker. She became fascinated with paper as a child after her mother went to Japan and came back with handmade paper. She laments the lack of understanding about artist books in India. Most people are surprised by how expensive they are! Radha's latest artist book *Flora of Mughal India* combines letterpress printing, miniature painting, paper cutting and hand-illustrated elements. Limited to 20 copies and priced at $4,750 per copy, it took her four years to produce this rare gem! To revive the art form, she and her husband have started a two-year certificate course in Delhi, teaching letterpress printing, bookbinding and paper making.

Artist books often question the very definition of a book. Is it only something that can be opened and closed, and that contains information? Or is it much more? Artist books are small and take a painstaking effort to make by hand – but they do help us slow down and engage with the present!

(The writer's views are personal)



The trouble with motivation

URBAN BOURBON
Hriday Ranjan
Writer, comedian

I HAVE been self-employed for more than a decade now, and have often wondered if it was the right decision. At times, I envy the safety of a job. Someone to tell me what to do, when to do it, and then reward me for it. I miss calling in sick and requesting someone else to do my work. As a self-employed person, you are required to be motivated all the time.

They say the grass is greener on the other side, but I beg to differ. With their strict disciplinary policies, I found that there was no grass at all in corporate offices! Having the discipline of an alcoholic sloth, I realised that the numero uno ingredient to transform my life was motivation. Throughout the course of my life, I have taken motivation from a number of sources. In my teens, it was my urge to break into a creative field. In my 20s, it was to make a name for myself. Now in my 30s, I am merely trying to survive the life I chose for myself. And motivation is the currency that we self-professionals operate by.

I'm told there are two kinds of motivation. In our childhood, we were mostly given negative motivation. We all knew that one senior who had failed his 10th standard and was now working in a chai shop. The fear of working in a chai shop drove me to study. But watching Dolly Chaiwala meeting Bill Gates makes me question my life choices. Then there are movies. Take two movies I have watched numerous times: *Rocky* and *Sooryavamsham*. In the former, the entire city follows Rocky Balboa on his jog. And in the latter, Amitabh Bachchan goes from a single truck to an entire truck company. However, in both cases, there was a rousing song in the background. I looked around me, and found neither Shankar, Ehsaan, or Joy! I then graduated to self-help books. Self-help authors were the earliest influencers. I found that every self-help book comes with a 'Premium' package that can be unlocked only by attending a workshop conducted by the author.

Then there are friends. Movies always have a friend who inspires the hero to work towards his goal and eventually dies during the intermission. My friends on the other hand motivated me to start drinking and smoking – and are leading long, healthy lives. Eventually, my counsellor told me that motivation could be hereditary. Since my father was the first-generation literate in my family, I find it hard to calculate the motivation levels that ran in my blood.

After years of walking around a desert like a nomad, I found my answer. Turns out, motivation is useless. I pumped my fist in the air in celebration. So it was a mirage, after all! However, the article went on to say that in place of motivation, one must attempt to inculcate discipline. Discipline apparently involves motivating yourself! This is when I chanced upon motivation's cousin: procrastination.

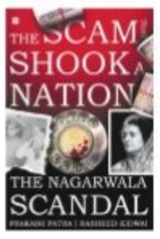
Procrastination gets a bad rep, but is in fact, quite awesome. It's on your side, asking you to take some moments off. Procrastination understands that we shall all perish, and existence is in essence, futile. Instead of looking around for motivation, I spend my afternoons making chai for myself and watching *Sooryavamsham* instead. It's like a Bollywood rom-com you watch on lazy afternoons. I set out to find motivation and instead realised my love was right next to me: procrastination.

P.S. I shall send the rest of the column tomorrow. Kindly excuse!

(The writer's views are personal)

NUGGETS

Book on the infamous Nagarwala scandal launched



Authors Rasheed Kidwai and Prakash Patra recently launched their book *The Scam That Shook a Nation* based on the infamous 1971 Nagarwala scandal where Rustom Sohrab Nagarwala was able to dupe a reputed bank of ₹60 lakh by imitating the voice of the then Prime Minister Indira Gandhi. The book, launched on the 53rd anniversary of the incident, is a gripping account of the investigation of the scandal and its afterlife as a study of political corruption in 1971. The authors said that one of the biggest challenges for them was to present the entire drama in a non-judgmental way.

New book explores the bridge between cinema and corporate reality

Founder and CEO of Zuci Systems, Vasudevan Swaminathan launched his book *Random Takes* on May 12 at The Local, Kalyan Nagar. The book offers insights from Indian, Hollywood, and global cinema, as it bridges the art of cinema and corporate reality. Exploring iconic classic films, modern hits, individuals within the film industry and the techniques they employ, the book explores storytelling's latent power to transform business practices. Readers are also introduced to corporate strategies, leadership values, and team engagement methods within the film industry.

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I, **(OLD NAME) SANIYA AZEEZ** D/o Abdul Azeez, residing at No. 15, 3rd Floor, Tulsiramdas Mutt Road, Robertson Road, VTC, Frazer Town, Frazer Town (P.O), Bengaluru-560 005, State: Karnataka, have changed my name from **(OLD NAME) SANIYA AZEEZ** to **(NEW NAME) SAFIYA FATIMA AZEEZ** vide affidavit dated 27.05.2024 sworn before Notary G.Dayananda at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) B. NAVANEETHA,** spouse of NO 15323119F EX NK T. BALAMURUGAN, Residing at House NO 40/X, Anna malai Nagar, 2nd street, Palaya palayem Road, Chinna Manur (post), Theni (Dist), TAMIL NADU (state), PIN:625515, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) P. NAVANEETHA** Vide Affidavit Dated 27.05.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I,M.VENKATESH S/o Late MUNIYAPPA R/a No.519, Govt School Road, Near Kodigehalli Bus Stand, kodigehalli, Sahakarnagar Post, Bangalore-560092. Have Changed My Name From VENKATESH To M. VENKATESH.Vide Affidavit Date:18/05/2024. Sworn Before Notary: K.V.NANJAIAH.

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CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Mr. VIJAY LALITAA SURYA, S/o. Mr. Kanakenahalli Siddagangaiah Nagaraj, aged about 33 years, R/at Flat No.1101, Block-1, Svasa Homes, 5th Main, Matha Sharada Devi Road, Behind Ramakrishna Ashrama, K.G. Nagar, Bangalore-560 019, have changed my name from VIJAY SURIYA to VIJAY LALITAA SURYA** Affidavit dated 27.05.2024 sworn before advocate and notary G. Dayananda, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **BASIL SARGUROH,** S/o Abrar Ahmed Sarguroh, aged about 20 years, R/at No.675, Ferns Paradise, Off Outer Ring Road, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru - 560037, I declare that my father name is **"Abrar Ahmed Sarguroh"** has been inadvertently recorded as **"Abrar Sarguroh"** in the following documents.Class X Pass Certificate and Certificate of Migration bearing vide No. MC1644889, vide affidavit dated 28/5/2024 sworn to before R.Sulakshana advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ROOPA HANUMANTHA IYER,** aged about 45 years, D/o. late Hanumantha Rao Maske, residing at No. 1537, 20th 'R' Cross, Dasarahalli Main Road, Bhuvaneshwari Nagar, Bengaluru North, Bengaluru-560 024, Karnataka. Hereby declare that, I have changed my name from **'ROOPA HANUMANTHA RAO'** to **"ROOPA HANUMANTHA IYER",** vide Affidavit dated 21.06.2023, sworn before Advocate and Notary Leela, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **HEMANTH KUMAR BANGALORE SUBRAHMANYAM** S/o Subrahmanyam Ramaiah, R/o No. 577, Venkateshwara Hospital Road, Maruti Extension, Malur Town, Kolar District-563 130 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **HEMANTHA KUMAR BANGALORE SUBRAHMANYAM** to **HEMANTH KUMAR BANGALORE SUBRAHMANYAM,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **HEMANTH KUMAR BANGALORE SUBRAHMANYAM** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-5-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. GOWTHAMI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **GURUPRASAD KARANDADY** and **LAKSHMI S,** R/a No.A-005,Creative Elegance Apartment, 9th Main, 60 feet Road, Vyalikaval, HBCS Layout, Nagawara, Bangalore-560045 have changed our daughter's name from **DITI RAO** to **HARSHIKA RAO,** vide affidavit datec 27/05/2024 before Notary **L. GOPALAKRISHNA,** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PALLAVI DEEPAK,** R/o No. 487, Sri Ram Mandira Road, Kodigehalli, Sahakaranagar Post, Bengaluru-560 092 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **PALLAVI PRASANNA KUMAR** to **PALLAVI DEEPAK,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **PALLAVI DEEPAK** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28th May 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **DIWAKAR .N KAGAWAD** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PRANAV SATISH BABU** (OLD NAME), S/O. SATISH BABU RAMAKRISHNA SETTY, RESIDING AT: G-1, CREATIVE NANDA APARTMENT, 5TH MAIN, 5TH CROSS, CPV BLOCK, GANGANAGAR EXTENSION, R.T NAGAR, BENGALURU-560032, HAVE CHANGED MY OLD NAME **"PRANAV SATISH BABU"** TO NEW NAME **"PRANAV SATISH"** VIDE AFFIDAVIT DATED 24-05-2024, BEFORE THE NOTARY **SIVAKUMARA M.N,** BENGALURU METROPOLITAN AREA, FOR ALL OFFICIAL AND LEGAL PURPOSES.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **CHRISTIE SALAMON,** son of No.JC-642285W, Ex-Nb SubLate Arockianathan.S, presently residing at #119, Stephenson Quarters, Champion Reefs, KGF, Tehsil Bangarpet, Dist-Kolar, PIN: 563117, Karnataka State, today camping at Bengaluru, have changed my name from **CHRISTIE SALAMON** to **CHRISTIE SALAMON AKASH A,** vide affidavit dated:28.05.2024, before Notary **B.V Nagabhusana,** at Bengaluru.

DECLARATION
I, **S INDHUMATHI** W/o G. Sekar, aged about 45 years, Abbiya Reddy Layout, Ex Servicemen Colony, Doddabanaswadi, Kalyan Nagar, Bangalore - 560 043. I further declare that all the names **INDHUMATHY SEKAR** and **S INDHUMATHI** belongs to one and the same person i.e. myself only. Vide affidavit dated 25-03-2024 sworn before notary Y.R. Chandrasekar, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **ANIL KUMAR T** S/o **Tejmal Jain** R/at No.443, 7th Main, 4th B Cross, RPC Layout, Vijayanagar Bangalore-560040 have changed my name to **ANIL KUMAR JAIN** vide affidavit dated: 28/5/2024 Before Notary **M.K.Devaki** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, NAGA.AMRUTHA C R (New Name), D/o. C J Rajesh, residing at No. 775, Ananthadhama, Kariyanpalya, Banashankari 6th Stage, 2nd Block, Bangalore-560098, Karnataka, India, that I have changed my name from AMRUTHA C R (Old Name) to NAGA AMRUTHA C R (New Name), henceforth I shall be known and called NAGA AMRUTHA C R (New Name) only for all purpose, vide Affidavit dated : 27/05/2024, before Notary H.S.DHARMA PRASAD, Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KHUSHBOO,** R/at No.5/1, 1st Main, 1st Cross, Gangappa Block, I.V.Bakery, Ganga Nagar, R.T.Nagar, Bengaluru - 560032, hereby declare that I have changed my name from **KHUSHBOO.B.M** to **KHUSHBOO** vide affidavit dated 28.05.2024 sworn before Notary **H.K.Gopalagowda,** Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Sri. Yuktha Vinutha.S.** D/o B.V.Shailendra Aged about 14 years R/at No.89/B, 7th Cross, 4th Main Road, Bengaluru-560 026. Rep. by its Mother Natural Guardian Smt. Asha, N. Aged about 34 years W/o Shailendra. filed original suit for Declaration bearing O S No. 8308/2023 before VII Additional City Civil & Sessions Judge Bengaluru and the said suit came to be decreed on 24/4/2024 declaring the name of my mother **"ASHA. N."** in the place of **"LIKHITA. N."** in the Birth Certificate as well as in the school records of the minor Plaintiff.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Shridevi B Patil,** W/o. Sandeep Sanapuji, aged about 42 years, residing at No.6/18C, 19th Cross, Dr.Raj Kumar Road, Near St.Anns School, 6th Block, Rajajinagar, Bangalore North, Bangalore - 560010, have changed my minor daughter's name from **Kanasu Sanapuji** to **Kanasu S.S,** vide affidavit dated 8/5/2024 sworn to before Prakasha.C advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KAVITHA** W/o Sri Mallikarjun, age 35 years, R/at No. 18, 1st Cross, 3rd Main, Manjushree Layout, behind Mother Teresa School, Varanasi @ Jinkethimmenahalli, Anandapura, K.R. Pura, Bangalore-560 036 do hereby declare that I have changed my son's name from **MANJUNATH .M** to **JEEVANTH .M,** henceforth he shall be known and called as **JEEVANTH .M** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 27-05-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **A.M. BALAJI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAJJAD KHAN** S/o Late Roaf Khan alias Abdul Rauf Khan, R/o No. 150, 1st Main, 3rd Cross, Behind KEB Office, Gandhipuram, Whitefield, Bangalore-560066 do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **SAJJAD KHAN RAUF** to **SAJJAD KHAN,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **SAJJAD KHAN** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-5-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **K.C. GOWTHAMI** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) VIJAYA MARY,** sister of NO 15324013F SEP G J JOHN AROKIA RAJ, Residing at Koil street, R N Kandigai (vill & post), Uthiramerur (Taluk), Kancheepuram (Dist), TAMIL NADU (state), PIN: 603403, Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) VIJAYA MARY G J** And **DOB** from **01.07.1979** to **28.01.1979,** Vide Affidavit Dated 27.05.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **APPAIAH VENKATAPPA, S/o Vitthal Rao Hange** R/at No. 46, 11TH Main Road 50 feet road, Raghavendra Block, Banashankari, Bengaluru- 560050, have changed my name to **APPANNA VENKATAPPA** vide affidavit dated: 28/5/2024 Before Notary **K V Mani** Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **PATTHI BACHEPALLE VENKATA PRASAD,** DOB: 20.12.1994, S/o. Mr. Patthi Bachepalle Venkata Rayudu, presently residing at House No. 970, 2nd Cross, 6th Main, Chowdeshwari Layout, Tulasi Theatre Road, Marathahalli, Bangalore-560037, do hereby declare that I have changed my father's name from **Pathi Bachepalli Venkata Ramudu** to **Patthi Bachepalle Venkata Rayudu** and I have changed my name from **PATHI BACHEPALLI VENKATA PRASAD** to **PATTHI BACHEPALLE VENKATA PRASAD,** vide affidavit dated 15.05.2023, sworn to before K.V. Jagannath Reddy, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Nidarssh S. Reddy,** Aged about 18 years, S/o. Sri. C. Shashidhar, presently residing at No. 2432, 'Abhivrudhi House', 9th Main, 'A' Block, AECS Layout, Singasandra, Kudlu Gate, Bengaluru - 560 068, do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **NIDARSSH S. REDDY** to **MUKUND CHIRAAG REDDY** vide affidavit dated 24.05.2024 sworn to before K.V. Bachi Reddy, Advocate & Notary, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **Ms. LYDIA MARISSA HOOVER aged about 37 years, Daughter of Late Andrew Hoover, residing at No.31, 4th Main Road, Chamarajpet, Bangalore- 560018, have changed my name from LYDIA MARISSA MARTINUS PRATHAP to LYDIA MARISSA HOOVER** Affidavit dated 25.05.2024 sworn before advocate and notary L. Shankaranarayana, Bangalore

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MOTIRAM SOMLA JADHAO,** F/o No 13628587X Hav/Clk Jadhao Pradip Motiram, R/o. Krushnanagar (K) Post Savali (S), Tehsil Arni, Dist: Yavatmal, State: Maharastra-445106, I have changed my name From **MOTIRAM SOMLA JADHAO** to **MOTIRAM SOMALA JADHAO** due to civil records. That both name pertain to one and same person. That my DOB 03 Jul 1962. vide on affidavit dated 27-5-2023, before **G.B. Turamari,** Blr.

CHANGE OF NAME
We, **ASHISH PANDEY,** S/o Ram Asare Pandey and **SHIVANI PANDEY,** age 39 years, W/o Ashish Pandey, permanent R/o No. 579, Gali No.5, Nandanpura, Jhansi-284003, today camped at Bangalore do hereby declare that we have changed our daughter's name from **PRISHA PANDEY** to **SANYA PANDEY,** henceforth she shall be known and called as **SANYA PANDEY** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28-05-2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **LAKSHMAIAH** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **REKHA HEGDE,** W/o Dinesh Sharma, age 43 years, R/o No. 1077/B, 11th Cross, 1st Phase, J P Nagar, Bangalore-560 078, Karnataka do hereby declare that I have changed my name from **REKHA RAMACHANDRA HEGDE** to **REKHA HEGDE,** henceforth I shall be known and called as **REKHA HEGDE** for all purposes, vide affidavit dated 28th May 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **ARAVIND PATIL G.G.** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **(OLD NAME) JAIRAM PATWA,** Father of NO 16126380Y L/NK RAHUL PATWA, Residing at Ward NO. 27, Hoshangabad (vill & post), Narmadapuram (Dist), MADHYA PRADESH (state), PIN: 461001 , Have Changed My Name to **(NEW NAME) JAYRAM PATWA,** And **DOB** from **01.06.1975** to **01.07.1962,** Vide Affidavit Dated 27.05.2024 Sworn Before Notary S.I.BALAGURU BANGALORE.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SHRIDEVI R.J.,** R/at No. 223, 3rd Cross, Near S.V.S. School Kempegowda Layout, Laggere Bangalore-560058 have changed my name to **PADMA M** vide affidavit dated: 23/3/2024 Before Notary **P.C.Ramaiah** Bangalore

AFFIDAVIT
I, **Mohammed Waseef Mukadam,** S/o. Mukadam Hishamuddin Abdul Latif, Aged about 26 years, having address H No. 05, 4th Cross Street, Motilal Nagar, Moolakulam, Reddiyarpalayam, Puducherry - 605010 and currently residing at A 201, Arvind Orchards, Kodigehalli Main Road, Sahakarnagar, Bengaluru - 560 092, do hereby declare that, **Mohammed Waseef** and **Mohammed Waseef Mukadam** both the names of the same person, i.e., myself. Vide affidavit dated 27.05.2024 sworn to before K.V. Nanjaiah, Advocate & Notary Public, Govt. of India, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MANJEET SINGH,** Aged about 45 years, S/o **RANDHIR SINGH,** residing at **BBMP Municipal No -51, 2nd Floor, 1st Cross, Lakshmamma Layout, Banaswadi, Bangalore - 560043, have changed my name to MANJIT SINGH** vide affidavit dated: 27.05.2024 sworn to before advocate and notary Uday Kumar .K, Bengaluru.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **MANOJ KUMAR VADAKKANMAR VEETIL,** S/o. Late Shri MY.LATE VEETIL BHASKARAN, resident of Mylate House, Panchalayi, P.O. Ariyil, Via. Pattuvam, Kannur Dist. 670143, Kerala State, presently residing at B6-1105, L and T South City, Arekere Mico Layout, 2nd Stage, J P Nagar 7th Phase, Bengaluru 560076, I desire to change my minor Son's name from **ANUGRAH THALIYIL VEETIL (as recorded in Passport No.T4546850) / ANUGRAH T V (as recorded in Birth Certificate) / ANUGRAH MANOJ NAIR (as recorded in School Record)** to **ANUGRAH NAIR,** whose Date of Birth is 26.06.2010., vide affidavit dated 17/5/2024 sworn to before R.Basavaraja advocate and notary Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **SAU. BEBIBAI MOTIRAM JADHAO,** M/o No 13628587X Hav/Clk Jadhao Pradip Motiram, R/o. Krushnanagar (K) Post Savali (S), Tehsil: Arni, Dist: Yavatmal, State: Maharastra-445106, I have changed my name From **SAU. BEBIBAI MOTIRAM JADHAO** to **BEBI MOTIRAM JADHAO** due to civil records. That both name pertain to one and same person. That my DOB 07 Apr 1965. vide on affidavit dated 27-5-2023, before **G.B. Turamari,** Blr.

AFFIDAVIT
I, **AJITH NAIR,** S/o R. Unnikrishnan, age 39 years, R/at Sri Sai Nilayam, #201, 16th Cross, Akshaya Nagar, 2nd Block, Ramamurthy Nagar, Bangalore-560 016 do hereby declare that my correct name is **AJITH NAIR** and the same is reflected in all my records, but in my passport by oversight my name is wrongly mentioned as **AJITH CHERANGOTIL** instead of **AJITH NAIR,** vide affidavit dated 28th May 2024, sworn before Advocate and Notary **PRAKASHA .C** at Bangalore.

CHANGE OF NAME
I, **KAVITHA SHARMA D,** D/o. DES RAJ, aged about 29 years,resident of No. 256, KHB Block, PSK Naidu Road, Doddigunta,Cox Town, Bengaluru-560005, have changed my name to **KAVITHA SHARMA,** vide affidavit dated: 28.05.2024 before Notary **L Gopalakrishna,** Bengaluru.

'I DIDN'T SEE ANY SIGNIFICANT STORY IN *PREMALU* OR *MANJUMMEL BOYS*'

...states director Ashoka, as he gears up for his third project, while discussing the misconception of content being grand, emphasising that all the audience needs is entertainment

A SHARADHAA

KS Ashoka's directorial debut *6-5=2* (2014) became a hit after its release solely with posters, and he followed it up with the heartfelt romantic tale *Dia* (2020) that got remade in multiple languages. Now, *Ashoka* gears up for his third outing. Interestingly, he says that he still experiences fear when approaching a new project, as he opens up about the rollercoaster ride of filmmaking and the fears that come with it. "It's not uncommon for artists, including filmmakers, to grapple with fear and self-doubt even in the face of previous accomplishments. Success can bring its own set of challenges, including heightened expectations and the fear of failure. Additionally, the creative process itself can be emotionally taxing, leading to moments where you want to relax before you begin your next," he says.

When it comes to the current state of Kannada cinema, Ashoka digs deep into the dichotomy between big-budget spectacles and smaller, more nuanced films. "There is a misconception that content is the be-all and end-all," he muses. "But the truth is that it is all about execution and entertainment. It is about finding that perfect balance between storytelling and engaging the audience, which I feel is lacking at present."

Drawing examples from films across industries, he points out the wave of Malayalam cinema. "Is there any substantial storyline in a film like *Premalu* or, for that matter, *Manjummel Boys?* Regardless of the lack of a major plot, each of these films thrived and made huge profits, totaling 100 crores each. Their success is not down to their groundbreaking content but rather their ability to entertain and connect with audiences on a deeper level. At the end of the day, people do not come to theaters just for the story. They come for the experience, for the emotions, for the spark of freshness that ignites their imagination," says Ashoka.

He also takes the example of *Animal*, which despite criticism managed to attract large audiences and generate significant revenue. "Even my own film *Dia* is filled with emotions and contains less entertainment," he adds.

With regard to the balance between creating meaningful content and entertaining audiences—a common dilemma in the film industry—Ashoka says, "This industry has no place for philosophy, and it is my analysis based on the little experience I have gained in making two films."

Director Ashoka

FRIENDSHIP TAKES CENTER STAGE IN MY NEXT

The *Dia* director, who has now called for auditions for his next projects, intends to cast fresh faces and is keen on working with newcomers. "The team has received over 200 applications, and we are expecting more after the casting call, which is being looked at to finalise the actors who fit the roles," he explains. Ashoka gives a hint about the story, saying, "This yet-to-be titled film will be a social drama set in a village, focusing on three youths at different stages of their lives. One storyline revolves around a character during his marriage, another post-marriage, and the third involves a character in love, all running parallel," he says.

Team *Dharmabheeru Nadaprabhu* ... approaches Upendra to portray the iconic Kempegowda on screen

The makers have also initiated talks with actor Ashika Ranganath for the female lead

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WHILE the upcoming film *Dharmabheeru Nadaprabhu Kempegowda* is in a legal dispute with director TS Nagabharana over its title rights, its makers are in the process of finalising the cast for the film. *Dharmabheeru Nadaprabhu Kempegowda* is helmed by Dinesh Baboo, best known as the *Amruthavarshini* director, and produced by Kiran Thotambyle. The film's team is keen on bringing a big star in the lead role of Kempegowda, with plans to approach none other than Real Star Upendra. Sources reveal that initial discussions have commenced, yet a meeting with Upendra is pending due to his commitments with his directorial venture *UI*. Additionally, the makers have approached Ashika Ranganath to play the female lead of the film, set to be a Kannada-English bilingual and also titled *The Pioneer of Bangalore*. Confirmation of the actors' involvement will follow detailed discussions and scheduling adjustments, prior to an official announcement.

Ashika Ranganath

Upendra

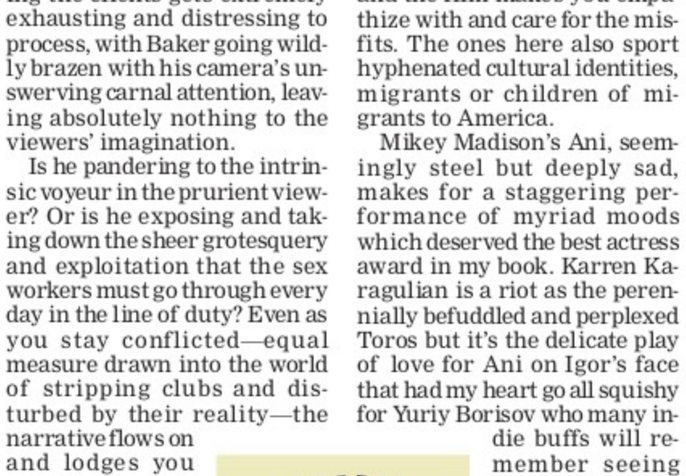
Bharathi Vishnuvardhan

Vasishta Simha

Srinagar Kitty

MAKERS FINALISE BHARATHI VISHUVARDHAN, VASISHTA SIMHA, AND SRINAGAR KITTY IN PROMINENT ROLES

Dharmabheeru Nadaprabhu Kempegowda is set to go on floors on June 27, Kempegowda's birth anniversary. Veteran actor Bharathi Vishnuvardhan is confirmed for a role in the film, which is set to be a grand spectacle with a big budget. Key actors, including Vasishta Simha as the main antagonist and Srinagar in a prominent role, are set to join the cast, with official announcements slated for the launch date. Chethan Raj will oversee production responsibilities, while DOP Santhe Mys will as the cinematographer, and Ujwal Kulkarni will edit it. Kiran Thotambyle, the producer, will also serve as the music director for the film.



HUMANITY ON THE MARGINS

NAMRATA JOSHI

THIS year's Palme d'Or winner, Sean Baker's *Anora,* made me take a 180-degree turn in my response to it, through the 139 minutes of the run time. Initially, the endless scenes of young New York sex worker Anora aka Ani (Mikey Madison), serving the clients gets extremely exhausting and distressing to process, with Baker going wildly brazen with his camera's unswerving carnal attention, leaving absolutely nothing to the viewers' imagination.

Is he pandering to the intrinsic voyeur in the prurient viewer? Or is he exposing and taking down the sheer grotesquery and exploitation that the sex workers must go through every day in the line of duty? Even as you stay conflicted—equal measure drawn into the world of stripping clubs and disturbed by their reality—the narrative flows on and lodges you right in the middle of a wacky romance between Ani and Vanya (Mark Eydelshteyn) the kooky son of a Russian oligarch that leads on to elopement and a fairy tale wedding.

But all does not quite end well. Ani is no Cinderella to have found her Prince Charming in Vanya. His parents send a bunch of goons to annul the wedding and threaten to descend on New York themselves as the film's tone undergoes a radical change yet again. Mayhem is let loose as Garnick (Vache Tovmasyan), Igor (Yuriy Borisov) and their boss Toros (Karren Karagulian) try hard to tame a wild Ani and desperately seek to trace the missing Vanya who has run away from their clutches.

Baker's script goes bonkers in a most fascinating, funny way in this protracted comic sequence in the middle of the film. Delightful lines are delivered spot-on with perfect comic timing by a wonderfully in-sync ensemble. However, it's not just about playing to the gallery. One of the most glorious slapstick sequences, which I'd put right up there in my top favourites, turns out to be about more than just the laughs. It's about slowly making the audience warm up to the supposed rogues. Be it the cocksure, intrepid, and self-assured Ani or trigger-happy and beefy Igor and Toros, they all are eventually vulnerable. In keeping with Baker's oeuvre, every character is situated on the margins and the film makes you empathize with and care for the misfits. The ones here also sport hyphenated cultural identities, migrants or children of migrants to America.

Mikey Madison's Ani, seemingly steel but deeply sad, makes for a staggering performance of myriad moods which deserved the best actress award in my book. Karren Karagulian is a riot as the perennially befuddled and perplexed Toros but it's the delicate play of love for Ani on Igor's face that had my heart go all squishy for Yuriy Borisov who many indie buffs will remember seeing last in Compartment No 6.

One of my last abiding moments from the Cannes Film Festival this year was the heated debate among critics witnessed on the bus ride back from Cannes to Nice airport. One set was rooting for *Anora*, calling it a modern classic, another questioning its gaze on women, outraged at it being given the top award in the post-Me-Too era, that too by a jury led by Greta Gerwig.

I could well see merit in arguments from both sides while admitting to myself that the film's last shot, of Ani, habituated to taking everything in her stride, finally letting her guard down, holding Igor in a tight clasp, seeking comfort in a fellow outlier, is one of the most moving shots witnessed in Cannes this year. It made the film for me.

From disgust to laughter to tears, Baker audaciously makes you traverse an entire range of emotions. But it is that one last shot that eventually makes it a humane statement championing the lives that get invisibalised in big cities and don't often get acknowledged in cinema.

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A web series on *Mother Teresa* in the making

Director Chandrakumar and team

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THE inspiring life of Mother Teresa, primarily known for her charity work for the poor and destitute, is the subject of a new web series. Writer John Paul and director P Chandrakumar have spent three years gathering details for this project, which is now in production. Chandrashekar, known for his work in Malayalam and Hindi cinema, is producing this pan-India series. This marks Chandrakumar's first venture in Kannada cinema, adding to his repertoire of 150 films in Malayalam, Tamil, Telugu, and Hindi. The story begins with Mother Teresa's childhood, and auditions are underway to find fresh talent for the roles. The team is searching for a young actor to portray Young Teresa. They also plan to explore locations significant to her life across India. The series will span 30 episodes with a duration of 45 minutes, across three seasons, with ten episodes slated for release in June. Cinematography is handled by P Sukumar, while Jaree Amaradeva is composing the music for the webseries. The series stars Anita Menon, Tanima Menon, and Sapi Kaur.